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PASTWEEK AT LOUISVILLE

MAYOR W. O. HEAD PAYS VISIT TO WORK HOUSE

ORDERS SEPARATION OF THE RACES

Indignant Over the Association of Black and White Female Prisoners—The Fred Douglas Debating Club Gives Program.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Ministerial Alliance, who last week demanded the distribution of some official positions among the colored folks was referred by the Board of Education to the health department of the city government. One day this week, a committee of two unknown pastors might have been seen wandering through the corridors of the city hall and inquiring from each passerby as to where they could find the health chief. Having been led into the office of the health department, they were given an audience by the Board of Health, and alolwed to state their grievances. The first of which was that the colored people desire a colored physician to examine the teeth of the children to be paid from the city treasury; secondly, that they wanted a nurse, and thirdly, a medical inspector, and fourthy, a truant officer. They were politely told that none of these requests could be complied with and that the schools were already in charge of competent medical practiontioners and they saw no reason why a change should be made on account of color.

The rumors that are rife in the city as to which teachers and principals are to be removed at the behest and pursuant to the boast of this Alliance, have done more to disorganize and demoralize the schools than any agency, however evil, under the old political spoil system. Teachers are daily in receipt of anonymous letters threatening them with loss of their positions unless terms were made with representatives of the "Alliance." One of the choice spirits of this body is reported to have said on good authority in a very public place that they intended to behead the principal of the colored high school, not by reason of any charge that can be brought and sustained against him other than for reasons best known to themselves that he is persona non grata. This commission was elected on a non-partisan platform for the purpose of taking politics out of the schools. But if this Alliance is to control the appointment and dismissal of teachers then religion with its warring will take its place, and do infinitely retard the advancement of learning. teacher feels secure from one another nor certain that her name not been placed on the black list by some secret enemy. No good acn come of star chamber meetings for the administration of public affairs, and it is deeply to be deplored that the men elected to discharge this high trust should be considered mere automatons, and that the real powers behind the throne are persons to whom the people never delegated any such authority. A gentleman applied to one of the gentlemen for a position, but was referred to a lady whom he did not know, and was also told that all recommendations for positions must be approved by her. She depends for her information as to the character of all applicants upon the hearsay evidence of the "Black Cabinet."

Some startling revelations are soon to be made that will detract from the weight of certain members of this Alliance. For some of these ungracious pastors can point us to the steep and thorny path to heaven, while themselves the primrose path of dahlias tread and 'tis too often proved that "with devotious visage and pious action we do sugar o'er the devil himself."

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Mayor W. O. Head paid a visit to the workhouse this week and was dumbfounded to discover that several of the white ladies confined there for such misdemeanors as peddling cocaine, smoking opium, squirting morphine into each other with hypodermic syringes, comingling with negro men, and snatching purses, were allowed to associate with the colored ladies of the same institution who are serving their terms for similar offenses. The mayor is very anxious to distinguish himself as the preserver of race homogenity and nothing so ruffles up his spirits and causes his knotted and combined locks to stand on ends like quills on the fretful porcupine as the sight of white thieves, prostitutes and degenrates bringing about social equality among those of their type in the black race. The mayor deserves great credit, and perhaps a Carnegie medal for ordering a partition erected so as to separate the white ladies in the workhouse from the black ones. In order to maintain the peace and dignity of this "mansion of hand-made pebbles," it is best to enforce the "James Crow law." Though most of the time these white ladies are out and free to choose their own company, they are generally found among negroes, drinking "hummers" or sniffing "croak." Two of the inmates who had become very affectionate toward each other, one white, the other black, were extremely overcome with emotion when they heard of the mayor's orders. The white lady, with a dramatic action that would have done credit to Bernhardt, tenderly fell into the arms of her black lady friend and said: "Why is this thusly?" We still have slept together, rose at an instant, learned, played, eat together and wheresoe'er we went like Juno's swans, still we went coupled and inseparable." Louisville is deeply disappointed over the cencus returns but her saddest time will come when she loses her Head.

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The public debate and literary entertainment given by the "Fred Douglas Debating Club" last Friday night at the Colored Branch Library was a most commendable affair. The subject discussed was Resolved, "That the Indian had better opportunity for development than the Afro-American." The speeches of Melville Perdue and Charles Gibbs for the affirmative and of Andrew Taylor and Wm. Ray for the negative, provoked much applause. The students of the high school furnished the music and Mr. Charles Morris recited "The Warrior's Prayer." An oration on "The Fame of get himself together to reply. Kean.

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Miss Courtney May entertained at the Keystone Cafe, Thursday last, with a seven-course dinner in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brewer. Mr. Brewer has been confined to his room with a spell of sickness and his many friends are glad to see him out again.

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Last Thursday evening a great spelling match was held at the First Baptist church at Forest, between the Forest and Griffytown schools. It proved quite a success and both schools sent their very best spellers in the contest. Master Berry Johnson won the first prize for Forest, and Miss Mabel Smith the second prize for Griffytown.

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Miss Ethel L. White has been made assistant teacher to Miss Hattie Daniels at Forest.

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A special sermon will be preached on Sunday, March 26, at 3 p. m. at Zion Baptist church under the auspices of Building Club No. 1 for the benefit of the U. B. F. and S. M. T. building. Quite an interesting program will be rendered. Those in charge of the finances are Messrs. M. Alley, M. Baughman and Sisters Briscoe and Jeffers.

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Miss Alfreda Johnson of this city visited her sister and aunt of Shelbyville, on last Sunday, and was accompanied by Mr. Ralph Willis and Atwood Sutherland of this city also.

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Mrs. Felix Broome is improving and thanks her many friends for their sympathy.

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Mrs. Lena Mason is here preaching at Asbury A. M. E. church drawing large crowds every night. She is one of the best lecturers ever here. Her sermons are very interesting. Rev. A. J. Dodd, pastor.

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Mrs. F. Broome is still on the sick list but getting along very nicely at the present. Her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

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Hi Henry Hunt is here direct from O'Brien's Minstrels, visiting his friends and Lodge Pilgrim K. P.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ben Wickliff gave a birthday party at their residence in honor of Mr. Dougherty's thirty-fourth birthday, at 615 South Thirteenth street, March 10, 1911, and Mr. Moses Yancey Jr., our long absent friend, acted as toastmaster. The following were present: Miss Anna Farrow, Miss Isabelle Farrow, Miss Alice Thomas, Miss Eva Brown, Miss Ella Davis, Miss Nourse, Mr. and Mrs. Hays, Mrs. L. Wickliff, Mrs. Anna Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Allene Taylor, Mrs. Abe Washington, Mrs. Sadie Frazier, Mr. Pulliam, Mr. Ben Ewing, Mrs. Patterson, Mr. Moses Yancey Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Wickliff, Mr. Dougherty.

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Wm. N. Shipley, who conducts a pressing, cleaning and repair shop, at 305 Ormsby avenue, has the best equipped place in the city.

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Miss Lenora Woolfolk is improving slowly from her long siege of sickness.

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Mr. Harvey Kirk is able to be out again after being down for a time with a broken leg.

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E. J. Carlisle has just received a dozen Greenville washing machines and they are going at a rapid gait.

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The U. S. Aid Club will have their regular monthly meeting March 20th. All members are requested to be present.

DECATUR, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

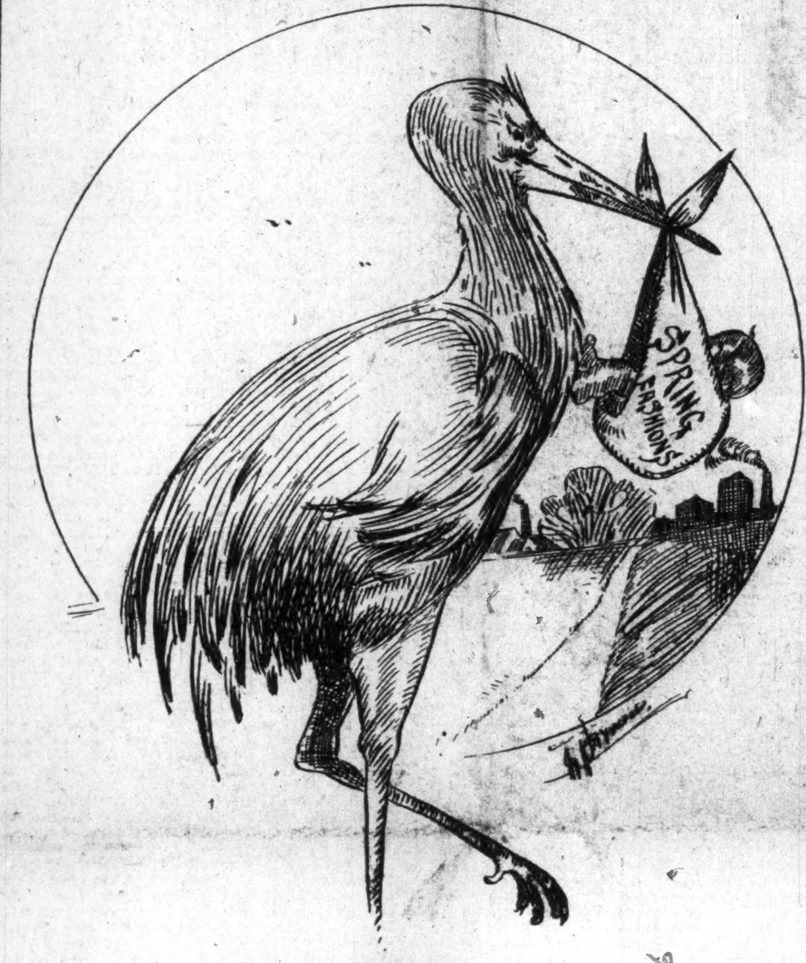
The play given at Traver Hall, under the auspices of the Allen League of St. Peters A. M. E. Church, Thursday night, was a great success. It was attended by a large crowd of people, and the proceeds amounted to $28. John Brown, as Tom Graves, and Rella Dixon, as Elizabeth Ann Tripps, made the hit of the evening. Mr. Carl Watkins also did exceptionally well. All who took part in the play did excellent performing....Mr. and Mrs. Edward Motley are rejoicing over the arrival of a fine son....St. Peters A. M. E. Church celebrated the 151st anniversary of the Right Rev. Richard Allen, last Sunday, the founder and first bishop of the A. M. E. Church. Some of the best talent in the city were on the program....Mr. Jefferson Jackson does not seem to be improving....Mrs. M. Love is much improved....Mrs. J. T. Morrow will return home from Florida the 18th, where she has been visiting her husband's sister....Mr. W. A. Weden, of St. Louis, is in the city, visiting his wife, who has been spending the winter in this city with her sister, Mrs. M. H. Metlock....Revival services are now in progress at the Antioch Baptist Church, conducted by Rev. W. S. McCushan. Cottage prayer meeting will be held each week and we hope good results will follow....Mrs. M. H. Metlock entertained twenty-four friends at a 6-o'clock dinner, last Friday, in honor of her daughter's engagement to Mr. Dan Parm....Mr. Karle Monte, Decatur's eminent young society leader, conducted a mock trial at the Antioch Baptist Church last Wednesday. Quite a crowd was present and enjoyed the proceeding immensely....The Freeman can be had by calling Old Phone 3432.

YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Robert Stewart is able to be about after a week's illness....William Jenkins, of Chillicothe, was the guest of Robert Stewart. Mr. Jenkins was formerly of this city, and he was a welcome visitor among his many friends....Mrs. Lottier and children visited friends and relatives in Massillon last week....The Logan Lodge of Knights of Pythias, Louisa Edwards Court of Calanthe and Uniform Rank, Company D, will hold their anniversary services at the Oak Hill Avenue A. M. E. Church, Sunday afternoon, March 26, at 2 o'clock, and all members of each department are requested to be present....The Buckeye Lodge, No. 73, of Elks' sixth annual banquet, Wednesday evening, March 8, was a grand success. It was the swellest dress and up-to-date affair ever held in the city. Grand Exalted Ruler J. Frank Wheaton, of New York City I. B. P. O. E. of W., was the honored guest. He made a speech on the progress of the order, and there was a grand march, led by Archie Thomas and a lady from Carnegie, and the second couple was Mrs. Charles Reeves and J. Frank Wheaton. The hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion. There were two hundred couples present, and an elaborate lunch was furnished by the committee in charge. The guests were from Erie, Ashtabula, Cambridge Springs, Greenville, Pittsburg, Newcastle, Carnegie, Beaver Falls, Rankin, Pa., Columbus, O., Cleveland, O., Akron, O., Warren, O., Sharon, Pa., and other surrounding towns, and the affair will always be remembered. The different committees who had charge of the affair received great praise for the manner in which it was arranged and conducted. Music was furnished by Boyles' Orchestra, which was one of the features of the evening. The Elks' banquets are the events of the season every year, and all that has to be announced is the date of the Elks' banquet, and the crowd will be there....The Eureka Club has postponed its party till a later date....Mrs. George A. Simpson, of Akron, was the guest of her sons, Attorney and Dr. Simpson, of West Federal street....Mrs. Talley, of Massillon, attended the funeral of Mrs. Edward Norris, who died in Hubbard Wednesday evening, and was buried Friday afternoon. She was well known in this city, and was a member of the Good Hope Baptist Church and True Reformers of this city.

SPRING SLOGAN



"Something New."

WEST BADEN, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Willing Workers' Club gave a "ham smile" at the residence of Mrs. Wright Potter, Tuesday, March 7. The ham was awarded Mrs. Eliza Cornish. All present spent an enjoyable evening....Mrs. Lewis Burnett has returned from Cincinnati, O....Mr. and Mrs. Curry, of Fort Wayne, spent several days in the valley....The Misses Octavia and Halliemay Beacham, assisted by their brother, Master W. C. Beacham, gave a surprise birthday stag for their grandfather, Mr. C. C. Beacham, at their residence, Friday evening, March 10. Some of the prominent gentlemen present were: Chas. P. Rice, S. G. Washington, Thomas Hammond, Meadie G. Wing, Fern Morgan, Irvin Smith, Odis Burnett, James Bell, Ed Hurley, George Williams, Henry Bailey, John Berry, J. L. Fowler, Hal Beacham. A delightful lunch was served by Mrs. Hal Beacham, ably assisted by Mrs. Hattie Beacham. Mr. C. C. Beacham was agreeably surprised to receive many handsome presents from his numerous friends.

MT. VERNON, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Twentieth Century Club held a business meeting Monday, March 6, at the residence of Mrs. Harry Latherns, East Chestnut street....Mr. Slyde Riggs, of Newark, O., was a visitor in our city last Sunday, the guest of Miss Bessie McGruder....Mrs. Dana Jones spent last Saturday and Sunday in Columbus, O., the guest of Mrs. Bessie Rawls....Mr. John Kelley met with a painful accident to his hand, March 5, at the Pittsburg Glass Company plant, where he is employed....Club No. 2, of the A. M. E. Church, which is holding a bazaar and luncheon every Saturday in the lecture room of the church, is meeting with quite a success. They sold all their good things to eat, and send thanks to the ladies throughout the country for the beautiful aprons which were sent to help make the bazaar a success....John Reed, formerly of our city, now of Columbus, O., took carbolic acid March 6, but, being intoxicated, the alcohol counteracted and neutralized the effect, and he landed in jail instead of the grave....At Wayman Chapel, A. M. E., Rev. J. M. Tate, pastor, preached both morning and evening. The morning subject was "A Search to Follow Divine Directions;" evening, "The Effort of a Life with Christ." Sunday school at 9 a. m. Allen Endeavorers at 6 p. m....Miss Beulah Jones is improving....The stork visited for the third time the residence of Mr. and Mrs. William Newson, of North McKenzie street, March 8, and left a bouncing baby boy.

STARKVILLE, MISS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Eva Mae Collier made a flying trip to Aberdeen last Saturday evening, and returned on Monday....Mrs. Lula Wynn and daughter paid West Point a short visit on last Sunday morning....Rev. Cohan, of Oxford, Miss., delivered a wonderful sermon on last Sunday morning, at the Second Baptist Church....Miss Wildia Slate filled the vacant place at N. F. Daily's fountain on last Saturday....Brother Sonnie Paterson will leave on the first Sunday in April for Battle Creek, Mich., to spend the remainder of his life with his son, Johnnie. Brother Sonnie went to Michigan once before, but at that time his mind was not settled, but now he has decided not to marry again, and will make Michigan his future home....Rev. Slate is on the sicg list this week, but we hope for his quick recovery....Miss Comfort, of West Point, Miss., was the guest of Miss Inez Cobb and Miss Montgomery, on last Sunday....Miss Girlee White is spending a few weeks in Meridian, visiting friends and relatives....We would highly appreciate it if every family would lay aside 5 cents each week for this colored paper....Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stewart arrived in our city last week from Clarksdale, Miss....Mr. Lon Johnson, of Aberdeen, Miss., is making his headquarters on Beattie street, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Mace Curry....Miss Rosie Gillespie and Mr. Harry Quinn were united in marriage on last Sunday, at Bethel Baptist Church....Miss Bessie Austin, of Memphis, Tenn., arrived in our city last Saturday....Be sure, when you stop in our city, to make Daily's fountain your headquarters....Mr. Moses Curry celebrated his forty-first anniversary at his residence on Beattie street, on Sunday, the 11th. He entertained several friends and relatives and they had a glorious time....Mr. C. Spencer paid Columbus a short visit last Sunday.

XENIA, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. H. B. Barrett has returned from Cincinnati, after several days' visit among friends and relatives....Mrs. O. Ellison and Mrs. C. Allen have returned from a delightful visit to Piqua....Messrs. Martin Sanders and J. Scott are much better....Mr. Anderson Garrett is able to be out again, after an illness of several months....Rev. Mrs. A. M. Howe is some better....The revival meeting at St. John A. M. E. Church is growing interesting. Quite a number have been added to the church....Meetings commenced at Zion Baptist Church Monday night. Rev. A. C. Allen preached....The different clubs of the Third Baptist Church seem to have begun work in earnest.

PLANS TO ORGANIZE A BUSINESS LEAGUE.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

BOWLING GREEN, Ky.—Many of the prominent citizens, feeling that a business league will be of great help, have taken steps in that direction. This is the second movement of the kind, the former failing because of the lack of interest on the part of the best citizens. Success is hoped for the present organization.

EVENTS OF PAST WEEK

FIVE CITY TICKETS IN THE FIELD AT DALLAS, TEX.

MUNICIPAL EIECTION TO BE RED HOT

Colored Voters Have Their Eyes Open—Oriental Company Hold Annual Election—The Phyllis Wheatley Club Have Tag Day.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

They are warming up for the city election, with five tickets now in the field....The mailing of this paper to you each week is now complete for Monday delivery in all parts of the city. If you don't receive your paper, let J. G. Griffin know it without delay, 800 Main, 2922 Cochran streets, so that you will not lose a single copy....Presiding Elders Jenkins and Harkstee held their quarterly meetings, and report much progress in all departments of their church work....Voting on Sunday closing of the postoffice here is all over, and only a small number of the colored citizens were in the voting....Gen. D. W. Donifer was here last Wednesday night, in company with Robert Hall, a staff officer of the Uniform Rank of Texas, and held the election of officers of Oriental Company, No. 15. Captain, P. L. Everett; first lieutenant, H. J. Jackson; second lieutenant, Prince Whitelow; recorder, Robert Moore; treasurer, R. D. Wilburn. The standing of this company is second to none in the State for equipment, and the election of Captain Everett should make it a first prize winner wherever it goes....George A. Brown, at 2626 Elm, and Archie Knight, just across the way, want you to see them for first-class goods....Mr. and Mrs. Fred Miner entertained Mr. and Mrs. Billy Kersands at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Freeman, on Marillis street, with an old-fashioned opossum dinner. The dinner was in honor of Col. Fred Miner's seventy-sixth birthday anniversary. A most delightful time was had....The Freeman mentioned some time ago that the coming municipal election was going to be a red-hot one, and it is now taking on that white heat that welds things together. You see the candidates of this club and that club, and you can hear this and that saying; they are giving the big glad hand right and left, and are missing no one who looks like a voter. The colored voters are standing pat and watching things, yet some of the old-time ward heelers have been trying to frame up on the q. t., but the men of affairs and taxpayers are on the alert. The frame-up has had some hard jolts. The thinking colored men, old and young, are solidly organized to battle for something substantial in the way of positions that will be a credit to the masses of taxpayers and voters in the city of Dallas. There are men on the various tickets now seeking your support. It's up to you to ask of them just these fair propositions. Should not the colored taxpayers have more recognition in some of the city's various departments than they have been having?....Mrs. Annie Johns and daughter are vsiiting relatives at San Marcos indefinitely....Mr. J. B. Walker celebrated his forty-second birthday last Thursday night, at his residence, 3709 Munger avenue, with a few invited friends and family. A delightful time was had....There is no reason for a colored man or woman to be out of the money when sick these days, when we have right here in Dallas over twenty-five representatives who will write you in some kind of insurance and benefit company....The Phyllis Wheatley Club of the C. M. E. Church is to have a tag day soon, to raise means for their church....Mr. and Mrs. Billy Kersands wish to notify the profession that their permanent address is 2501 Flora street, Dallas, Tex., and ask your correspondence....At the Grand Central nightly Dixon and the jolly bunch of players are pleasing the box office and patrons go the whole week. Mr. Harris is all smiles....Mr. Luther B. McCoy, the playlet composer and producer, has been packing the Elm Street House, between Pearl and Preston, nightly, with his Western drama. The play is handled by a capable company of players....The annual thanksgiving services of the Knights of Pythias uniform companies and Courts of Calanthe will be held at Old Bethel A. M. E. Church, corner Leonard and Cochran streets, Sunday, March 26. Rev. Dr. Abbington, pastor, will deliver the sermon. There will be a select program for the occasion by members of the three departments of the order.

PESACOLA, FLA.

BY WALKER W. THOMAS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

This city is growing rapidly, and the colored man is also growing into the better part of business life. There are about five hundred colored business houses in the city, and all report doing a fine business. We will soon be among 'em....Let us have your news. If you have a friend visiting you or you leave town, let us know. No charges. Leave a note of it at the Pensacola Drug Store before Friday of each week. Walker W. Thomas, special agent....The United States scout cruiser Chester was in the city last week. Several of the colored boys were given liberty while here. All reported a delightful stay and hope they will return soon to the deep water city....Miss Martin, of Birmingham, Ala., who was the guest of Josephine Abdercarter, left for her home last week. She made quite a number of friends while here....The Misses Patterson entertained the West Hill Social Club last Monday night. Quite a large number were out and an enjoyable evening was spent....Miss Eulalia McConico was called home last week on account of the death of her grandmother....Miss Ledresser Huff entertained quite a number of her friends at her home on North J street, last Thursday night. A very enjoyable evening was spent. Dancing and games were features of the event. Delicious refreshments were served....Talk about the colored man progressing. I went last week around to the Goldstucker Bros.' undertaking parlor and livery establishment. There is no place of business of this kind in the city to exceed it. The building is pebble dash outside, and two-story, with water, gas, electric light fixtures in all parts of the building. Telephones are also at hand. There are ten living rooms upstairs. They also have about twelve horses, with a special pair for their funeral car, with harness that cost $500. This is the only building of its kind owned by a colored man in this city. Their many friends wish them a great success. They also invite you around to inspect their new place of business....Miss Lucia Minns entertained quite a number of her friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. Minns....Miss Eva Gamble, of Mobile, Ala., left for her home after spending a few weeks as the guest of Mrs. Mary E. Beck....Cards will soon be issued for the Elks' big social event, which will take place some time this month....Mr. Willis Claiborne, of North C street, is on the sick list. His many friends will be glad to see him out again....Mrs. B. Dolphin, of Warrington, Fla., entertained at a dinner in honor of Mr. T. W. Bryant, of Jacksonville, Fla., and Mrs. Mathew Thomas, of this city....Mr. James Frederick, of West Jackson street, is reported to be quite ill. His many friends hope he will soon recover....Mr. T. W. Bryant, State inspector of the Afro I. I. Company, of Jacksonville, Fla., is in the city on business....Mr. D. Johnson arrived after a very pleasant visit with relatives in New Orleans, La....Mrs. Daisy Weeks, of North Gilmarde street, has been on the sick list for the past few days....Mr. Garfield McRhyondles spent a few days in Montgomery, Ala., on business. He reported a fine trip....Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Campbell, of Augusta, Ga., left last Friday for their home, after spending a few weeks with their son, Mr. W. H. Campbell, and wife. They reported a very delightful visit while here....Mr. James Hollie, who enlisted on the cruiser Montgomery two years ago, arrived last week on the cruiser Chester, where he transferred since being enlisted. Many of his warm friends were glad to see him and were sorry to see him leave last week....Mr. Lamar Roberts is out after a few weeks' illness. His many friends were glad to see him....Mr. A. W. Thomas, of the cruiser Chester, spent a few days here as the guest of Mr. S. Campbell, of Warrington, Fla. He left last Wednesday for Mexico, and reported a delightful stay while in the deep water city....Mr. Oscar Smith, of 906 North Hayne street, left last week for Mobile, Ala., where he will undergo an operation. His many friends hope it will be a successful one....Mr. Gus Edwards returned from a short visit to New Orleans, La....Mr. A. C. Sawyer received very painful injuries last Saturday night, March 4, while riding on the street car, which was derailed. His many friends hope he will soon recover....Mr. Willie Richardson, of East Jackson street, is out, after a few days' illness....Mr. Andrew Perry is on the sick list. His many friends hope he will be out soon....Mrs. W. Jordan entertained quite a number of her friends last Wednesday night, at her home on West Larna street. A very enjoyable evening was spent in games and dancing. Refreshments were served to the guests....Mrs. P. Brown, of North A street, entertained a number of friends last week....Mr. Jack Harris has opened a first-class cafe on North Tarrongona street, and invites all of his friends to come and inspect. Meals at all hours....Mr. and Mrs. Hillard entertained at a masquerade party, last Tuesday night, quite a large number of friends....The Freeman is for sale at all colored drug stores.

SHEFFIELD, ALA., NOTES.

To the Editor of THE FREEMAN:

The Union meeting last Lord's day at the First Baptist church was a glorious success literally, spiritually and financially....The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Collie one of our young ministers, came near being killed last evening by falling from the bed. It was after hard and swift work of the parents that it was soon brought to its senses. Dr. Davis, our eminent physician, was phoned and responded at once. The boy is doing nicely....The concert given at the C. M. E. Saturday last was quite a treat, as well as a financial success....Rev. White is giving a series of concerts at the several C. M. E. churches to raise money to finish his church, or beautify his church as he puts it. Little Miss Emmamay Mitchel was given the praise of being the best speaker out of the large number of children who had excellent pieces....Mr. Lige Fields, our popular undertaker, has enlarged his establishment and is putting in new furniture. What was his office is soon to be his parlor, in keeping with all first-class undertaking establishments. Mr. Fields is also an active educational worker and is doing much to have the Baptist College removed from Courtland, Ala., to this city, and from dead works to life....We are very glad indeed to know that Miss Carrie Anderson, whose home has been the scene of so much enjoyment, is able to sit up after having been so seriously ill ever since the night of her card party....Hon W. W. Floy, vice-president for Tennessee, of the National Negro Educational Congress, which met and organized in St. Louis last August, was a welcome caller at Mr. Field's office on business last evening.

PORTSMOUTH (VA.) NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Dr. C. C. Somerville, D. D., pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, preached a telling sermon last Sunday morning on the subject, "God and Man Reconciling Their Difference"....The Rev. O. B. Alston, of Rocky Mount, N. C., preached a strong sermon to th econgregation of Ebenezer Baptist Church, last Sunday night....The morning services at the Zion Baptist Church, last Sunday, were well attended. Dr. Armstead preached a forcible sermon from the I Kings, 11th verse....The condition of the senior George Douglass remains the same....The B. P. H. of Buffaloes installed officers for the ensuing term, last Wednesday evening, as follows: J. Alston, E. R.; A. Miller, V. E. R.; Robt. Kemp, scribe; A. C. Sparks, acct.; Dr. F. G. Elliott, M. E....The South Atlantic Squadron Association will celebrate their first anniversary March 15, at the Odd Fellows' Hall, in County street....Copies of this paper on sale at 812 County street or 802 South....Will W. Brinkley is the agent of The Freeman. See him and subscribe for it.

LAZY LIVER

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She spent thirty years in the jungles of Africa and has traveled through 34 States doing good wherever she went. Read St. John, 9th chapter, 33rd verse, "If this man is not of God, he could do nothing."

"I for one, as one in the midst. My heart ached from the cruel treatment of my husband and the way he would throw away his time and money, until I consulted this wonderful lady. It will soon be a year. Through her he has been a loving husband, and today he presents me with a lovely lot on which he will build a home. Tongue can't praise her too highly."

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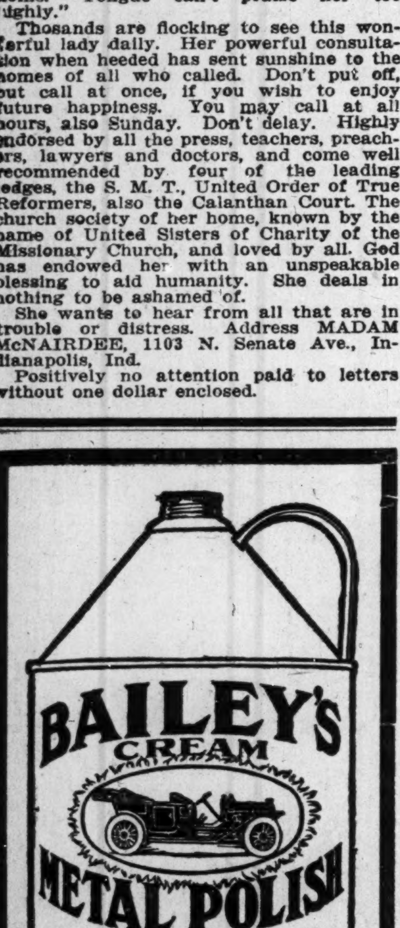

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EX-PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT

Gives Excellent Advice at Atlanta, Ga.

ATLANTA, Ga.—Theodore Roosevelt delivered the first speech of what he has announced as his last speech-making tour when he talked today to the Negro population of the city at the Central Avenue Methodist church. The address was made at the solicitation of the officers of the church and the building was packed to the doors when Col. Roosevelt arrived.

The great need of technical education among the Negroes as a move toward the solution of the race problem in the South was the keynote of the colonel's talk. He cited figures to show that the vast majority of the population of Georgia was engaged in agricultural pursuits, but declared that between 250,000 and 300,000 of these were illiterate and unskillful laborers and as such could not hope to better their condition or make themselves necessary to the white race. It was for this reason, Col. Roosevelt said, that he has taken such great interest in the agricultural colleges of the South.

"What You Do Counts."

"It is the common school, not the university," he said, "which is the foundation of American citizenship."

The colonel warned his audience that while they had made great progress in bettering themselves, there was a vast distance for them to go before the work was finished. "Always remember," he said, "that what you say of yourself amounts to nothing; it is what you do with yourself. The very worst thing that can happen to you is to get conceited."

In concluding his talk Col. Roosevelt said education had done much to help toward a removal of the obstacles in the way of Negro advancement, as the "educated Negro was the best possible antidote against lawlessness."

His statement was received with cheering and he was compelled to force his way out of the church, so closely did the audience press around him in an effort to shake his hand.

Col. Roosevelt dined tonight at the Capital City Club just before he went to the Auditorium to address the Southern Commercial Congress. He is due to arrive tomorrow morning at Birmingham, Ala., to address the National Child Labor Conference, leaving this city at midnight in an ordinary public sleeping car.

ITEMS OF RACE INTEREST.

New Orleans contemplates segregating measures for the city, whereby the races are to live in separate portions of the city.

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The United K. P. Lodges of Indianapolis have built a beautiful commodious hall for lodge purposes. The cost was about $40,000.

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It is said that the Pullman sleeping cars will be discontinued in Mississippi in event Pearl Morris, the white woman, who obtained judgment for $15,000 against the company, is successfull in the higher courts. She obtained this verdict because three Negro bishops rode in the same coach in which she rode.

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To celebrate Lincoln Day the children of the Congregational Churches of Greater Boston donated a sum which may amount to $25,000. The offerings of the children were sent to the headquarters of the American Missionary Association, 20 Beacon street, and will be distributed in the South for industrial work among the Negroes and whites of the mountain districts.

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Harry Toy, aged 24, a Chinese merchant of Seattle and Los Angeles, Wash., and Mrs. Daisy Davis, aged 21, formerly a worker in the Methodist Episcopal Chinese mission in Portland, were married in Seattle recently by Rev. W. T. Osborne, pastor of the African Methodist Church of that city. Toy is wealthy, dresses in the height of fashion and is well educated. The couple will live in Seattle.

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According to Emmett J. Scott, of Tuskegee, Liberia contains some 40,000 square miles of territory, has 350 miles of sea coast, and a population made up of some 50,000 civilized Negroes, and probably about two million native or abroginal Negroes. Of these 50,000 civilized Negroes Sir Harry Johnston, an authority on Liberian resources, estimates that some 12,000 or 15,000 are American Negroes or descendants of American Negroes.

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That the term "colored" includes all persons "wholly of Negro blood or having any appreciable admixture thereof," was the way in which the Court of Appeals of Kentucky, at Frankfort, last week, construed the state school law on this subject in a decision handed down there. A suit was brought by Troy Mullins against the school trustee demanding the admittance of some children for whom he acted as guardian. The lower court denied the children admittance to the school, holding that they were "colored," being of one-sixteenth Negro blood.

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The colored Y. M. C. A. of Augusta, Ga., has received an offer from a prominent white northern friend to donate the sum of $20,000 for the building and equipment of a modern Y. M. C. A. hall for them in that city, if the association will raise $10,000 additional, and the association is given five years to meet the requirement. The only condition attached to the gift is that the association shall be out of debt in time the donation is called for. Feeling the urgent need, the colored people will begin at once a crusade for the extinguishment of the small debt and take steps for the raising of the $10,000 necessary to secure the generous donation.

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Probably the most brainy and able representative of our race who ever graced a seat in either the lower or upper house was Robert Brown Elliott, a member of the lower house, from South Carolina. Congressman Elliott was an able lawyer, a profound scholar and he easily worked his way to the front rank, making a lasting reputation in his speeches on legal propositions and other matters of general legislation in the house of representatives. He was an orator and a forceful debater, and came to be recognized by able critics as the ablest Negro who ever entered Congress. He certainly left in his brilliant career a rich legacy to his race.

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The recent international committee meeting of the Young Men's Christian Association, and also the last association convention, laid emphasis upon the necessity for larger work among colored people, especially in the cities. Already much has been accomplished. Julius Rosenwald, a Hebrew, offered $25,000 toward the erection of a building for colored young men in every city where there are considerable numbers of such men, on condition that $75,000 additional be subscribed by others. This has resulted in other offers to the same effect, and the planning of half a dozen buildings in as many cities. Throughout the South studies are now making to learn where are the greatest needs, and where largest support can be had to meet the conditional gifts. Mr. Rosenwald says he takes peculiar interest in his project because he is a Jew, a member of a race that has, like the colored one, suffered from prejudice, and has found in America some measure of relief. New secretaries to develop the work have just been put into service.—Boston Transcript.

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Since the establishment of the Douglass Hospital in Philadelphia, the State of Pennsylvania has appropriated for its maintenance a total of $86,000. The State has also appropriated $8,000 for building purposes. During this same period the colored people have raised, through donations, fairs, various forms of entertainments and collections the very creditable sum of $77,000. That the colored people should, through their own initiative and efforts, raise so large a sum as $77,000 to co-operate with the State in a purely charitable institution means more than figures can indicate. They have not only put more than $50,000 in the plant, but have also raised enough money in addition to cover all salaries, pay of help and cost of administration. This is indeed unmistakable evidence of the people's hearty and cordial appreciation of the Douglass Hospital.

The plant and equipment cost $118,000. There has been raised and paid on the plant, equipment, interest and incidentals the sum of $56,000. The hospital is now burdened with a debt of $62,000. This is a tremendous handicap when the limited resources of its constituency is considered.

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What the associate editor of the Central Afro-American says he found the Negro doing in Kansas City, Mo.:

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Every Negro doctor in the city rushed with plenty of business. All have autos and carriages to take them to and fro."

ITEMS FROM JOPLIN, MO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. Joe White and Mr. Alex. Morgan left for Kansas City, Mo., to accept positions as railroad porters. They were from Galena, Kans....Miss Olivette McMurrey, of St. Louis, Mo., daughter of Mrs. Valisco McMurery, head pastry cook at the House of Lords Cafe, is visiting her mother for a few days....Mrs. Lowe, of Coffeyville, Kans., is visiting her son, Mr. M. Lowe, of 408 North Jackson avenue. She reports that everything in her city looks good for a prosperous year....Mr. John H. Williams, who is in the South for his health, sends his best wishes to all of his friends and readers of The Freeman, and says that he has improved 50 per cent. since going to the Springs in Arkansas, and will be home after the 20th inst. He has The Freeman sent to him from Joplin every week, so he can tell what the colored people are doing in Joplin and vicinity....Mrs. Lena Wilson, of 1309 Jackson, is thinking of adding on some new improvements to her now elegant residence in the south part of the city. Her two daughters, Misses Fern and Marie, are progressing rapidly in their studies in school and will soon graduate....Mrs. George W. Walker had several visitors last week and enjoyed their presence very much. She is going to Denver, Colo., to see her mother and sisters, and spend a few months in the mountains of Colorado....Mrs. Lurinia Harbin, who has been on the sick list for the past three weeks, is able to be up and around again. Her sister, Mrs. Liddia Washington, of St. Louis, came down to wait on her and will remain here indefinitely. ....Mr. R. E. (Rastus) Earl, the king of funmakers, is in Joplin, and any one wishing to add a good act to his show can find one in Mr. Earl. He and his manager, of the Richards & Pringle's show, had a falling out in some way. He is the first one to come after the Freeman every week. Address him through The Freeman....Mrs. Henry Embray and Miss Sallie Young, of Granby, Mo., sisters of Mrs. Fred Shannon, of 312 North Joplin street, were visitors in Joplin two or three days last week, as guests of Mrs. Shannon....Mrs. Ollie Moore received her divorce last week from Mr. Pat Moore, and her maiden name restored—Miss Ollie Danforth....Joplin had three more new colored families move into our city last week. Let all good citizens move in; they are always welcome....Miss Frances Marshall took her sister Emma, who is troubled with tuberculosis, to Neosho, Mo., last Sunday, and returned home Monday morning....Mr. Will Norman, of Baxter Springs, Kans., was in our city for a few hours Saturday, on business....Mr. Robert Albertie, one of our best young men, was accidentally shot last Sunday afternoon, at 2:30, by Mr. Harry Johnson, a railroad porter, and a good friend of his, at the home of Mr. J. W. Lindsey, 224 Pennsylvania avenue. Theer were only four people in the room at the time the accident occurred, Mr. Lindsey, Johnson, Edwards and Albertie. Mr. Johnson was taking the load out of a 38-caliber revolver, when the gun went off, the bullet striking Robert in the right shoulder, just under the shoulder blade. All parties said it was an accident at the coroner's inquest. Mr. Albertie told the doctor that it was, and not to punish Johnson. So let us not try to make something bad out of what was not intended to happen. He died Monday, at 6:35 p. m., and was taken to his home in Fort Smith, Ark., on the 8:05 train, Wednesday evening, for burial, accompanied by his relatives and his closest friend in Joplin, his partner, Mr. Geo. W. Edwoods....The J. C. B. M. L. met in their new home last Wednesday night, March 4, at 107 Main street. Everything is all in readiness to receive friends and new members, and to go and spend an hour or two after supper reading and smoking and discussing matters of a better Joplin from the colored side of it. Every one has a key, and, if not, the secretary, Mr. N. T. Green, will give you one. They will now see some pleasure in welding themselves together like their white brothers do. Let every member of this club have but one desire, and let that be to press on and on forever, and when the fourteen charter members and all the rest that are in at this writing have gone on to a far better planet than this one, let our children come on and run it as we have done. Mr. Kaufman delivered an address on the welfare of the club, and also Mr. Johnson. They are two of our new members....Prof. Geo. F. Neil, of La Grange, Mo., general organizer of the Home Protective Association, of Hannibal, addressed the Business Men's Club last Wednesday night, and he was more than pleased to see how we were getting along. He said that the greatest question that is troubling the white man to-day is, what are we going to do with the Negro, and several other subjects of importance were discussed. He will appoint an agent here to write policies for the H. P. A....Several of our young men are thinking of quitting their jobs and going on the railroad as porters. Here is a tip from one who knows: If you have a job that you are making a good living out of, you keep it....Mr. Geo. W. Edwoods and Miss Emma Terrel returned Sunday morning, March 5, from Fort Smith, where they went with the remains of Mr. Robert Albertie, and said everything went off like clockwork and everybody turned out to pay their last tribute to Mr. Albertie....Literary program, Friday, March 3: Instrumental solo, Miss Marie Wilson; recital, Miss Sarah Green; vocal solo, Mr. J. C. Jackson; solo and chorus, Miss Myrtle Coker and company; recital, Mrs. Watkins; vocal solo, Miss Lizzie Wilson; recital, Miss Maud Elmore; address, Dr. J. H. McAlister, district superintendent; J. C. Jackson, president; Miss Ruby Hoops, secretary.

MERIDIAN, MISS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. John Fagan, one of Meridian's oldest colored citizens, dropped dead near his home on Thirty-fifth avenu and Fourteenth street on March 2nd, about 6:30 p. m. He was about 65 years of age. He was a faithful member of St. Paul M. E. church. He was also a member of the Masonic lodge No. 126, which turned out in a body on Sunday, March 5th, 1911. People of every walk in life turned out at St. Paul M. E. church Sunday evening at 3 o'clock, to pay their last tribute of respect to their friend and brother, J. H. Pumphrey, W. M.; J. S. Burwell, secy. Rev. I. L. Pratt preached the funeral sermon. Burial at the L. S. & D. cemetery. He leaves a wife, Mrs. Martin Fagan, one brother, Rev. G. H. Fagan, and several sons and daughters to mourn his death. Peace to his ashes....Hon. A. N. Johnson, the leading undertaker of Nashville, Tenn., has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Ellen Moore, on Thirteenth street near Thirty-second avenue. Come again....Mr. Will Perry died at his home in East End Sunday, March 5th. His funeral was largel attended at New Prospect Baptist church on Monday, March 6th, at 11 a. m. Rev. S. M. Moore, the pastor, preached an able funeral sermon. He was buried at the Masonic cemetery. Peace to his ashes....Mrs. Mollie Pearson, who has been to Yazoo City, Miss., to undergo an operation, has returned to the city much improved in her health. ....Jim Denton, who was shot in the abdomen and once in the hip Monday, Feb. 27th, by John Elkins (white), died at the Matty Hersel Hospital on March 2nd. It all happened about a bill on some furniture. He was to have been tried on the 3rd. We learn that he put up a plea of self defense and was turned loose....Messrs. Gilbert Fagan, of Chicago, Ill., and Dave Fagan, of Louisiana, came to Meridian to attend the funeral of their father, the late John Fagan, on Sunday, March 5th....Rev. Pringle went to his home at Russell, Miss., on Monday evening, March 6th....Mr. Samuel Johnson, who has been sick for some time at his home in East End, died on March 1st. His funeral was largely attended at New Hope Baptist church on March 2nd, at 3 p. m. Rev. L. S. Lee, the pastor, preached the funeral, assisted by Rev. D. L. Morgan, of Haven Chapel M. E. church. Both paid beautiful tributes to the deceased. He professed a hope in Christ a few days before he died. He leaves a mother, father and several brothers and a host of friends to mourn his death. The floral designs were beautiful. He was buried at the Masonic cemetery. Peace to his ashes. He was well known and liked by every one that knew him....Mr. Selig Marks, a very aged Jew of Meridian, died here on Feb. 26th. He was buried at the Jewish cemetery on 28th. He was over 80 years of age. He was a god Jewish citizen. ....Rev. D. Ruffin came in on the A. & V. train on March 6th, after having filled his appointment on Sunday, March 5th....Union Baptist church was very badly burned on March 2nd. Rev. J. T. Davis is the pastor. Until further notice their services will be held at the public school building just back of the Rose Hill cemetery.

ADDYSTON, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Negro race of this village should feel highly elated from the fact of the success which has been made by some of them in the past ten years. We can boast of a grocery store, assembly hall, restauarants, cafes, and many other things. Included among them is the Dunbar Literature and News Agency, putting out all kinds of race literature. We also have several men who are renting out property and in the real estate business. The village is much improved along all lines, and the future prospects seem encouraging for a well governed village. Several pieces of valuable valuable property is owned on the main thoroughfare of the village by colored men. High street is populated by the race, and most of them are owners instead of renters. We have a class of church-going people and an excellent Sabbath school, besides lodges and other auxilliaries of the church....The Ladies' Home and Foreign Mission is meeting with much success....The largest taxpayer among the race is S. H. Pillow, grocer and saloonist....The report of the clerk of the Baptist church for the year ending 1910, shows amount raised by pastor and congregation, $1,445....Johnnie Branch is reported doing fine at the city hospital....Miss Lizzie Garrie visited friends in the city Sunday....Edward Cransby and mother, Mrs. Fannie Cransby, of Newport, Ky., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nan Higgins Sunday....The sick calendar reports Sam Ousley, James Robinson, Hiram Parker, Perry Harris all reported improving....Charlie Banks, superintendent of the Baptist church Sabbath school, assisted by the Freeman correspondent, are making special investigation into the matter of the children of the village attending Sabbath school. A report will be made Sunday morning. Arrangements are being made for one of the largest Easter exercises that has been given for some time. The parents of the children are especially requested to assist in the movement....Mrs. S. H. Pillow was the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Ruth Brown, of 1020 Lincoln avenue, Walnut Hills, Sunday....Anderson Harris, District President of the B. Y. P. U., was a business visitor in the village Sunday. Mr. Harris made arrangements with the B. Y. P. U. here to hold mass meeting the third Sunday in this month at 2:30 p. m. A neat and interesting program will be rendered....Rev. D. W. Ellison, of Catlettsburg, Ky., is visiting friends in this city....The Ladies Home and Foreign Mission meets each Monday evening at the town hall. Miss Cordelia Ellis, secretary....Lew Bennor, a wealthy clothier, and a Jew, will erect a $10,000 business block....Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fitzpatrick have made some improvements in their restaurant, which makes a neat appearance....Entertainment Saturday evening at the S. H. Pillow Hall, benefit Baptist church....Sunday will be held a five-dollar rally at the Baptist church....The new pews will arrive at an early date. They are all ready at the factory awaiting shipment. ....One of the strongest points of any city or village is the movements of the citizens, and one of the most elevaing things for a race is to have a good moral and Christian set of young men and women, who assemble at the church on the Sabbath day. The question at issue now is, are there any of that class in our village who desire to be elevated and strengthened by giving the church a small amount of their time on Sunday? What shall we answer? And where are the places which amuse them on that day?....The funeral of Mrs. Sarah Whitlock was private and well attended. The Rev. Wm. M. J. Brannon officiated. The services were well conducted. A mother and father, four sisters and brother survive the deceased. Interment was made at Elose.

DES MOINES (IA.) NOTES.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

You can get The Freeman at 1308 West Walnut street, from M. Brewton. ....E. L. Morgan has gone to Peoria, Ill. ....Sam Brooks is back in the city visiting friends....The Southern Comedy Trio, in their original creation, "Aunt Phoebe and Her Dancing Boys," are still cleaning up....For a nice, up-to-date poolroom visit 306 West Grand avenue. Billy Wilkerson, proprietor....Mr. Glen, who has been laying off in Des Moines, has gone to Kansas City, Mo....The prospects for a good, fast baseball team look very good for Des Moines....Ernest Owsley is still downing them all on the mat....Art Johnson and Roy Fields are still knocking them about in the ring....For a nice, clean, up-to-date shave or hair cut, visit 304 West Third street, Mr. Morgan, proprietor....Visit a first-class poolroom, 108 East Walnut street, George Williuly, proprietor.... For a nice meal visit 304 West Grand avenue, Budie Black, proprietor....For an up-to-date shave and hair cut visit A. Smith, 308 West Grand avenue.

DECATUR (ILL.) NOTES.

St. Peter's A. M. E. Church will celebrate the fifteenth anniversary of Bishop Allen the 12th of this month. A beautiful program has been arranged and the day promises to be one long remembered....A farewell party was given to Miss Pauline Nickens last Thursday, at the home of Miss Gussie Caldwell. She left last Friday for Greenville, O., where she has been engaged to teach school. Thirty-five of her friends attended and a delightful luncheon was served. Miss Nickens was presented with a beautiful back comb. ....Mrs. A. D. Cecil is improving. Mr. Cecil, whose hands were badly burned, is out and able to feed himself again. ....Mrs. M. Love and Mrs. Jane King are among the sick this week....Mrs. H. Clay has returned home from the hospital....Mrs. W. Fields, of Palmer, Ill., is in the city visiting relatives and friends....The Allen League are looking forward to the convention, April 20, 21 and 22. About sixty delegates are expected.

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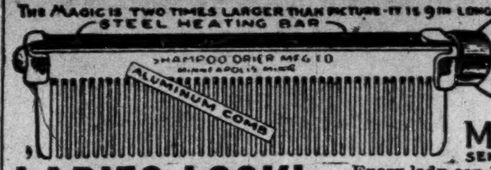

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The suggestion that the National Negro Press Association take steps to hold exercises in connection with the regular program of the session of the National Negro Business League at Little Rock is an excellent one, and will be acted upon by the officers of the Press Association. The N. N. P. A. is an organic part of the N. N. B. L., and a demonstration of its plans and policies will be a very proper and highly interesting feature of the open session of the Business League. The Press Association was given a hearty endorsement by Dr. Washington at the New York meeting last August, and has the united support of the newspaper men of the race.—Florida Sentinel.

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NO "VEST-POCKET LEADERSHIP WANTED.

The Negro masses are making it very plainly understood that they want no "vest-pocket leadership." We can trust "the common sense of most" to guide us aright. Let us take counsel together.—Florida Sentinel.

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BISHOP CLINTON FOR JEANES FUND BOARD.

Among our exchanges we notice very favorable references to the appointment of Bishop Clinton to the vacancy on the Jeanes Fund Board, caused by the death of Bishop Grant. We know of no one who would be a more fitting addition to this board. Bishop Clinton is himself educated, experienced, and in touch with every phase of educational work in the South. Already he is closely associated with members of the Board, and his appointment would prove a popular one. If conscientious, unselfish and efficient service is demanded, then Bishop Clinton will make an exceptionally strong member. The Star of Zion voices the desire of thousands who know Bishop Clinton in asking that his name be presented.—Star of Zion.

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CONVERT ROOT MAY CONVERT THE SOUTH.

May the day come when the South will be represented in Congress by men who will support a great national measure, without demanding ing that the country humiliate and degrade the Negro to win their aid. May the day come when they will see the way Statesman Root sees in these latter days.—Omaha Enterprise.

WILBERFORCE UNIVERSITY.

The winter session closed the 4th of March, and the spring session will begin the 14th. The number of students this year has been unusually large, and the interest manifested in all the departments has been also unusual. The building era seems to have begun. Aside from the cottage for the senior and junior girls, there will be erected two other dormitories for girls. This is to be followed by a Science Building and a Memorial Chapel. It is the purpose of the authorities to add to the endowment, at least to the extent of $250,000, for the coming year. There is a great need of adding buildings to meet the growing demands of the institution.

Commencement this year wgill take place on the third Thursday in June. Among the attractions will be the presence of Dr. William Hayes Ward, of the New York "Independent," and Dr. Booker T. Washington, both of whom will make addresses. The centenary of the Rt. Rev. Daniel A. Payne, founder of the institution, wlli be largely observed during the commencement exercises.

MARDI GRAS WEEK NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Special to The Freeman.

The Creole district was treated with the appearance of our dear friend, Sid Perrin, of the Pekin Stock Company, who is down visiting his mother and the special guest of his old friend, Mr. Lawrence Thomas, 831 Brenville street, who assisted in arranging the different dates with the help of Mr. Norman Bozonier, W. H. Brook, Lucian Gale and L. A. Augustin, Pullman porter. On Friday, March 3rd, at 7:30, visited Mr. Norman Bozonier, 2009 Gov. Nicholas. Cold lunch, Havana cigar and beer. Mr. Sid Perrin entertained them with a few seleceitons of his own. On Saturday, March 4th, Mr. Louis Augustin and family, of 1704 Urquhart, entertained. Gumbo, chicken, fish, Mionet sauce, sphagetti, a la Italiene, wines, beer and Prince De Gales cigars. Not a stone was left unturned. Mr. Perrin left feeling in New Orleans he still lives....Mr. Lucian Gale and family, 1619 Urquhart, Sunday, March 5th. Madame Petibone led the line of march to the table, followed by some of the belles of the Third district, who wished that the sunlight of the beautiful skies might shine on his soul. Menu—Gumbo, chicken, desserts, wines and cigars, followed by dancing and entertainment by Mr. Perrin. Midnight lunch by Mr. Lawrence Thomas — oyster cocktail broiled chicken Poulet aw Poes France and boiled eggs. Lawrence Thomas, 831 Brenville; Norman Bozonier, New Orleans Item, 2009 Gov. Nicholas street; Louis Augustine, Pullman porter, 1704 Urquhart street; Lucian Gale, practical shoe maker, 1619 Urquhart street; W. H. Brooks, judge of advice.

TACOMA, WASH.

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. V. L. Spencer, president and founder of the non-sectarian Widows' and Orphans Home of Tocama, Wash., announces she wishes only to raise $560 to complete the institution, the building to be remodeled. It now stands one frame building of seven rooms, addition to be put on. It has one and one-half acres of land, all paid for. Building is insured and taxes paid. Mrs. V. L. Spencer has paid out $599.05. The building will cost $1,-159.05. The building is 26x36 at present but remodeled will be 36x46. Mrs. Virginia Spencer was elected president and field missionary of the Women's Louisiana Missionary Baptist State convention, 1901, tate of Louisiana, parish of New Orleans, wheere she was born and reared; served them till 1904, then resigned to come and work in Tacoma, Wash. She was also appointed vice president for Louisiana of Woman's convention Auxiliary to the National Baptist Convention, 1902; appointed traveling missionary for the Foreign Mission Board by L. G. Jordan, 1906, serving till she took the home work in Tacoma, Wash. Mrs. Spencer founded and had incorporated this home in 1907. She is thankful for the encouragement that all classes have given her. he hopes to hear from some of her dear brothers and sisters saying "I will help you raise the $560." Who will send the first dollar toward it? We will credit you for the same.

Who will help? We want to accomplish this work in this State. "He that giveth to the poor, lendeth to the Lord."

ASHEVILLE, N. C.

Playing for the Benefit of the Y. M. C. A.

The boys had quite a success at the Y. M. C. A. last night, Sisney and Renis playing "In Darkest Africa." Kid, and Joseph Sisney and John Renis playing Dinah had the whole house yelling. John Baird, Jr., opened up with one of his famous selections, "The Maid in the Moon." Hargrove and Falter, the colored acrobats, gave some of their features. Mr. Ernest Collins sang a solo. They were asked to repeat it next Thursday night. It was a benefit given for the Y. M. C. A. ....You will find The Freeman at No. 1 East street and Stoggs' barber shop.

A CLUB OF BRIILIANT MEMBERS AT CHICAGO, ILL.

The past week was a very pleasant one, so much so that the young people of the South side got together and organized what is known as the South Side Utopia Club. It was at the home of Mrs. A. Johnson, 4809 South State street, formerly of Madison, Ind., that the club was organized, which consisted of thirty-two members, all of whom were former graduates of different institutions of Chicago and elsewhere. The following officers were elected. President, Mrs. Florence Johnson Love, graduate of South Division High school, of Chicago; vice-president, J. E. Harris, formerly of the Wheaton College, of Wheaton, Ill; secretary, Mrs. M. Sims, 3820 South State street; treasurer, Mrs. Birdie Buckner....We are on the threshhold of electing the fifty-second mayor of Chicago, so you may know that things are very urgent so far as politics are concerned. On the 28th day of February, in our direct primary election, there were nominated two very strong men. Mr. Carter H. Harrison on the democratic ticket, and on the republican ticket we have a progressive young man who is now alderman of the Seventh ward of the city of Chicago, and whose name is Charles E. Merrim. It seems at present that the majority of the two and a half million people of the city of Chicago believe with the aid of their vote on the 4th of April, Mr. Merrim the republican candidate will sweep the city like a whirlwind and on the 5th of April, 1911, will be known as the mayor of Chicago.

NAVASOTA, TEXAS.

Special to The Freeman.

The Royal Social Club, of which Mr. Willie Brown is president, and Mr. Henry Mitchell is secretary, gave an entertainment at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Payne last Friday night. The elite were out in full, covers being laid for seventy-five persons. All report a joyous time of high-class pleasure....Lee Tabernacle M. E. church is now holding a series of revival meetings this week for the benefit of the unconverted, and it is hoped that many will find solace in that balm which alone can be found in the arms of a dear Savior. Rev. Barnes, the present pastor of this church, and Rev. Carr, its former pastor, but now pastor at Paris, Texas, are holding these meetings......Mr. Frank Constant, Jr., a member of the graduating class at Prairie View College this year, is visiting friends and kindred in Navasota this week.....Miss Mary Cole is on the sick list this week....You are falling behind in life's race if you do not read The Freeman. (To be found at Neal's store.)

SPRINGFIELD, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Relief Clug of the Y. W. C. A. is preparing for its spring bazar. Since its organization it has raised $67.89. Paid to the poor $45.84. Mrs. Hattie Nixon is president....Mr. Charley Botts is conducting a successful grocery business. He is one of our most enterprising men. Mr. Charley Soggs, salesman, is always on hand with smiles of politeness to wait on customers. Mr. Botts also furnishes the young people with lots of fun at his skating rink...Mrs. Lizzie Bank is on the sick list....I. C. Cantrell, who has been on the sick list for some time, seems to be improving. Miss Mattie Payne, one of our most lobable young girls, took a flying trip to Adams Sunday....Mrs. Henry Hollaway, of Georgia, was in the city last week visiting her sister, Mrs. Lenice Bradford....Miss Bessie Harrison is one of our popular young ladies. She subscribed for the Freeman last week. ....Miss Jessie Carr, of Adams, one of our most distinguished young ladies, and a teacher in one of the schools in the county, when shown The Freeman, and requested to take it said Why yes, I always take papers of my race....Mr. Warren Murphy is one of our largest hog raisers....Mr. Kimble Noel and Miss Woodard was united in holy wedlock March 6th. Rev. B. C. Tolbert officiated. ....Rev. B. C. Tolbert is preparing to enter in o a revival meeting in a few days....Mrs. Harriot Hart would like to hear from her sister, Mrs. Caroline Jimerson, of Indianapoli....Mr. E. K. Knight is our leading barber, and is doing a good business. Call and see him....J. S. More & Co. is running a first-class restaurant.

PADUCAH, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Wednesday morning the death angel visited this city and took from our midst Mr. Robert W. Lowery. Friday afternoon, at Burk's Chapel church, Presiding Elder G. H. Burke preached Mr. Lowery's funeral. Burk's Chapel has lost a god and faithful member. The Court of Calanthe will miss a loyal member. Cymboline Lodge No. 19 of which Mr. Lowery was a member and for a long time M. of C. K. of P.'s regret the sad departure of the above Sir Knight. The uniform rank Co. H K. of P. was for some time under the command of Sir Knight Capt. Lowery. After retiring as Past Captain he ranked as Major. Co. H. accompanied the deceased to Oak Grove cemetery. Prof. G. C. Marshall's cornet band rendered some excellent music for the funeral service. Pallbearers were Mr. William Brazier, Mr. William Henry, Peter Johnson, Masonic lodge; W. F. Crowell, J. Jesse Finley, John Amos, Knights of Pythias uniform rank Co. H....Last Sunday was a great day at the Trimble Street Christian church. At the morning service Rev. White, of 1232 Burnhine avenue, preached to an attentive audience. Sunday afternoon the Rev. J. M. Metcalf, a visiting minister to the city, preached a noted sermon. The night services were presided over by Prof. D. H. Anderson, that noted and tireless worker who is working energetically for the West Kentucky Industrial School, which is located at Paducah. $136.50 is the amount of money raised on this date. Rev. Pearson, who is again pastor in charge of this thriving church, is a man of high intellectual power and business qualifications that style him the right man in the right church. Rev. Pearson and his loyal congregation thank the many friends for their liberal support in helping them to raise the abovea mount. Yours for success, Rev. Pearson.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

By A. C. Oglesby.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

This question was asked your agent today, "Why is THE FREEMAN the best Negro paper?" The answer was answer was, "It gives more news in the finest words than any other Negro paper in the country." I do not say this because I am an agent for THE FREEMAN, but I have read most all of the colored papers, and when I want to find news from Maine to California and from the Gulf of Mexico to the Great Lakes, I get THE FREEMAN.... Mr. Owens, who has been ill, is improving. His doctor states that he will have him back at work in a week or so. Mr. Owens is head waiter at the Savoy Hotel....Mr. W. M. McKnight, the well-known head waiter at the Baltimore Hotell, has been confined to his room for the past week. Mr. McKnight has the distinction of being head waiter of the largest hotel that the colored waiters can boast of today. He has done more to build up the efficiency of the colored waiter than any other man in Kansas City. He is not only a credit to the Negro waiter but is an honor to the race. Mr. McKnight is in his glory when telling ho wto better the condition of his fellow men. We extend our profoundest sympathy to him and wish for him a speedy recovery. He is a member of the Knights of Pythias and is also a Mason. ....Miss Julie Moore, one of Deadwood's (S. D.) most accomplished young ladies, will visit Kansas City. She will leave Deadwood on the 7th inst. and reach here on the 9th. Miss Moore will visit her sister, Mrs. McEwen, of 117 Highland avenue, while in the city. The boys of K. C. had better lookout, for Miss Moore is a charming young lady and is still on the carpet. ....The Everyday Brotherhood, an auxiliary of the Colored Y. M. C. A., is meeting with unexpected success. The Brotherhood inaugurated o campaign for 25 new members. This number was enrolled so easily that it was increased to 50. The 50 were secured rapidly and the number was placed at 75 and at the last meeting it was decided to increase the number to 100. It is an organization that is much needed in Kansas City. You are supposed to perform a good act during every day of the week and tell what that act was at the meeting on Sunday. They meet every Sunday at 3:15 o'clock at the Y. M. C. A.

NEWS FROM LIMA, O.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. Jordan, of the Second Baptist Church, attended a meeting of the trustees of the Aged Ministers' Home, in Bellefontaine, last week....At the meeting of the Brotherhood of St. Paul A. M. E. Church, last week, arrangements were completed for the annual sermon to be delivered by Rev. R. B. Wright, at the A. M. E. Church, Sunday, March 12....The funeral of Mr. Wm. Heman was held at the Second Baptist Church last Thursday....Mrs. Ella Haithcock Weaver, whose death occurred at her home in Columbus, O., was brought to Lima, Sunday. Funeral services were held at the A. M. E. Church Monday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, Rev. C. L. White, of Columbus, officiating....Miss Irene Galloway, who has been a victim of consumption for some time, is somewhat improved. Her brothers, Charles, Fred and Henry, of Columbus, visited her last week....On last Monday evening the friends of Miss Barbara Green met at her home and gave her a surprise in honor of her sixteenth birthday. A pleasant evening was spent in music and games....Among those called to the city to attend the funeral of Mrs. Weaver were: Mrs. Bertha Payne, of Columbus, and daughter, Mrs. Laura Byrd; Messrs. Weaver and Loury, of Columbus....The many friends of Grandmother Tibbs will regret to learn that she is very ill at her home in Columbus....Mrs. L. J. Young gave a birthday party in honor of her mother, Mrs. Mary Lyles, who is visiting her. ....The opening of the Harrison Ladies' Tailoring establishment, last Saturday, was well atended. Success to the work....The Layman's Missionary meeting, under the auspices of the A. M. E. and Second Baptist Churches, will be held April 2. Prof. C. H. Johnson, of Wilberforce, will be the speaker.... Communion services were held at the Second Baptist Church last Sunday morning....The Missionary Society of the Second Baptist Church met with Mrs. W. A. Baker last Wednesday afternoon....The Ruby Seal Assembly of St. Paul A. M. E. Church met with Miss Viola Benson....Mr. Chas. Moss continues to improve....Mr. Louis Nelson is still very ill....It was rumored last week that Lima representatives in the vaudeville world were stranded. This rumor proved to be false, as the name of the company they are traveling with is the Stranded Troupe.

CARMI (ILL.) NEWS NOTES.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

This spring the city election promises to involve other issues than the question of which bank shall be the depository of the city's funds....The A. M. E. Church people are in the midst of a great revival....The man who is trying to get through the winter without buying a new overcoat now feels like the base runner caught out stealing for home....Rev. P. A. Green, State missionary of the A. M. E. Conference, came in from East St. Louis, Friday, and will assist in the revival....Always keep a level head when you write love letters. They often turn up years afterward in most embarrassing and distressing ways. ....Aaron Stewart is home from Harrisburg, Ill....Miss Harriet Edwards is on the sick list....Mrs. H. W. White, of Ledford, Ill., is expected in the city to visit Mrs. Lucy Allen and son....Memorial services were held at the A. M. E. Church in honor of the late Bishop Grant....Mr. Robert Dixon is at work on the new almshouse....M. E. Allen is agent for The Freeman, and is increasing the list every week, as they all want the paper....Mr. Arch Stewart is working at the plumbing business in Harrisburg....Mrs. Emma Allen, of Grayville, is visiting here....Miss Rosa Stewart left for Mt. Vernon last week....Marshal Allen is in Cairo....Miss Anna Stewart is in Harrisburg.

SOUTH BEND (IND.) NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Memorial services were held Sunday evening, at the Mt. Olivet A. M. E. Church, West Monroe street, in memory of the late Bishop Abram Grant.... The Mt. Zion Baptist Church is carrying on revival services, on Birdsell street. All are invited to attend....K. B. Black and S. Polsom have purchased the new and second-hand store of J. B. Allen, who has gone to Atlantic City, N. J....Mrs. C. H. Bell, who is still confined to Epworth Hospital, is much improved at this writing....The Afro-American Order of Owls set up their second nest in Baltimore, Md., this week. Hoo, hoo, hoo....Mrs. Nicholas Alston, Miss Medora Powell and Mrs. Margaret Smith were called to Benton Harbor, Mich., last week, to attend the funeral of Mr. Hackley, a brother of Mrs. Smith and uncle of Miss Powell and Mrs. Alston....The O. D. T. Club was entertained last Friday by Mrs. A. Abrams, South Laurel street. ....Mrs. Cora B. Ash was hostess to the ladies of the St. P. Ruffin Club, Wednesday afternoon....The Unity Civic Club continue to have their meetings at the Public Library every Sunday afternoon, at 4:15 o'clock. Everybody invited to come....The ladies of the St. P. Ruffin Club will hold a pastry sale Saturday, March the 11th. Pastry will be on sale at the store of Black & Polston, Colfax avenue, between Main and Michigan streets. Bread, cakes, pies, cookies, from some of the best homes in the city. Come early and get first choice.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Sunday services were of a high order and were largely attended. Fine sermons were delivered at both churches and the choirs rendered sweet music. The Sunday School classes have been largely attended and the officers and teachers are highly pleased with the interest taken by the members of the classes....Preparations are being made for annual celebrations by some of the fraternal lorders. ....Many deaths have occurred in this city, some of which were sudden....The Historical and Literary Feast took place at the Warren A. M. E. Church and was of a high ordler. Rev. I. H. Welch, D. D., is the pastor. The following program was rendered: Invocation, Rev. Perry; instrumental duet, "Nearer My God to Thee," with Miss Igo at the piano and Miss Forgy at the organ; vocal solo, "Goodby Sweet Day," Miss Lena Durroh, both of the foregoing numbers being delightfully rendered; vocal solo, "Star of the East," by Mr. D. H. Hall, which was the greatest number of the evening and was encored heartilly, Mr. Hall being presented with a beautiful floral bouquet by little Erma Forby, aged 5 years; "History of the Cruch—1861-1911," Rev. E. N. Burnton (the history being quite interesting and was well received; remarks, by the pastor. Mrs. W. A. Scott was the chairman and Mr. Jones acted as master of ceremonies.

MT. VERNON (O.) NEWS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Twentieth Century Club met on February 2 at the residence of Mrs. Dana Jones, East Pleasant street, and held their monthly meeting. The following program was rendered: Quotations from Douglass; "The Underground Railways," Mrs. Dana Jones; "Ohio in the War for the Union," Mrs. Bee McGee; recitation, Mrs. Nannie Harris; "Blennerhasset," Mrs. Chauncey Mayle. The next meeting will be held March 6, at the residence of Mrs. Harry Latherns. ....Mrs. Hattie Jupiter Perry is seriously ill at the residence of her mother, Mrs. Jupiter, of the East End....A birthday surprise was given Thursday, March 2, to Mrs. Alice Roy, at her beautiful residence on West Front street. About thirty brought baskets and a delightful evening was spent....Mrs. Chas. Hamilton and her daughter Edith and Miss Beulah Jones are still on the sick list....Wayman Chapel A. M. E. Church, Rev. James M. Tate, pastor, has Sunday school at 9 a. m., class meeting at 10:30 p. m., Allen Endeavorers 6 p. m., preaching 7 p. m., by the pastor. Prayer meeting and teachers' meeting Thursday evening. All welcome....Rev. M. M. Toomey is pastor at Calvary Baptist Church. Services at 10:30 and 7 p. m., Sunday school 2 p. m., the Lord's Supper at 3 p. m.

CINCINNATI, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. George Hurley, of Springfield, O., who was the guest of the Queen City Cherokee Club during the Christmas holidays, died suddenly at his sister's residence, Lexington, Ky. He was one of the first members of the club. He had never returned home since his Christmas visit.

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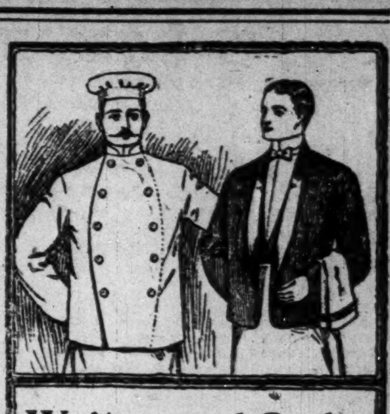

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Perhaps Mexico didn't expect us in its family affairs.

March maintains its tradition as a month of variable winds.

It is said that our troops marched up the hill and then marched down again.

The hot beds are now in their glory. Old Sol has been behaving most brilliantly.

The colored Knights of Pythias of Alabama have had a severe jolt in that state.

If the people care to make their constitution, who should have the power to say no.

The selection of Lewis for Assistant Attorney General seems to give the most ample satisfaction.

Somebody has evidently been "villifying" Col. Henry Lincoln Johnson, of Atlanta, Ga. Who did it?

It is our duty to be loyal to the country whatever happens. Bear in mind that we reside here from choice.

A bill prohibiting the intermarriage of white and colored people introduced in the Massachusetts legislature two weeks ago has been killed.—The New York Age.

Didn't notice any comment. Suppose the least said the better.

The colored people of Richmond, Va., may own homes in any part of that city by the new segregation law, but when in sections reserved to white people they must be tenanted only by white people. Well, guess that beats nothing, being proprietors to the white people. Next.

Lest we forget. The Negroes of America have excellent opportunities. Not always excellent opportunities to move in certain places, but to gain a livelihood. It is something to think about in face of the glaring facts of all other countries as it concerns the lowlier peoples.

The city council of Richmond, Va., voted to a man for the segregation of the races in that city. Editor John Mitchell, of the Planet, accompanied by a number of representative colored men, addressed the council at length, but to no avail. This form of discrimination is the most flagrant known to be in practice.

Most of us have had profound respect for the fundamental law of the land—the state. We have in mind the constitution of the state of Indiana. Whatever have been the exceptional modes of bringing constitutions of our states to pass, we can only think of the one mode—that by the people as the most satisfactory.

Quite a neat sum was realized through the cash testimonial tendered Editor T. Thomas Fortune last week in New York. Above three hundred dollars was placed in his hands as an earnest of the appreciation of the race for his efforts in its behalf. Booker T. Washington and others were interested. Small amounts were sent by many friends throughout the country.

There are between thirty and forty thousand colored people in Marion county, who must eat. Let us see. Has the farm tts proper quota of colored workers? Say for thirty-five thousand colored people we had seventy occupations; that would mean five hundred colored people on the farms earning their own living. One man to five people means one hundred colored men who should be cultivating the soil and disposing of their products in the markets of Indianapolis. How about it?

This is to whom it concerns. Many are not guilty .Many more are—guilty of the little street im-proprieties , street car improprieties, and other improprieties almost without number.

The great men of our race who would mould sentiment are so great as to look over the small things that hurt most in the race, or they are afraid of becoming unpopular—so we resemble in this respect an unbridled horse—a very wild one.

Thomas Fortune, the distinguished colored editor—"colored" in deference to his wish—has "decreed" that the race shall speak of itself as colored people in the future. Thomas is rather changeable; it will be remembered that at one time he thought that the race should be known as Afro-American.

"Colored" is all right for ordinary purposes; it's tame—docile. The word "don't" help out on big occasions; it is not heroic in aspect. True enough, the word Negro has been abused owing to low association, but at that, it side-steps or transcends its low usage and becomes a term of dignity. It can become what we choose to make it; it can be made enviable, and also by association. Clearly it is up to us.

Fate seems to be reading its hand if not carrying out its prophecy. But Fate may be arrested if we will but do it Torture Fate until it yields!

No thing may antedate our doom
'Till death consigns us to the silent tomb.
—With apologies to Homer.

Truth and right are the twin terrors of the universe to wrongdoers. To these add, just humility and saving pride, the utmost respect and consideration and an army with banners will not do more. Let the individual glorify the individual, doing all in his power to increase his personal value. Walk circumspectly before those that are all eyes, and who jot down to one's discredit all unseemly conduct.

Now if uor new appointed colored official, and hoped-to-be-confirmed "brethering" will only be mortal men when it is all done, it will be all right. Don't mean to insinuate, but we have seen individuals "who be kings" in their small offices, small by contrast, when ordinary earthly conduct would have been the proper thing.

This does not mean groveling in the dust, or anything like it. There are lookers on in Vienna who are influenced and governed as to their disposition towards us by the way we take on over things, and if we take on unduly, we establish a sort of secondary importance of ourselves. We then complain because we are held to the classification. In other words, we are great hands at fixing a ratio between the activities of the races and then object to what is determined and carried out. We don't like it because held to the bargain.

An exalted notion of office, of a worthy trust is the expected, yet fitness regulates those things, and which fitness is simply the rule of conduct by others, and to others when similarly placed. So one may imagine that it will strike the casual observer as peculiar when we inflect by some kind of mental process our official class, which is not different to other men of the same class, into a higher class in the sense of "courtly" adoration. We can not over respect respectable men, but as said before we give this added importance owing to the thing of raceism, which is the hurting acknowledgment of race discount if not inferiority. The little things count. Races are only read by their disposition and inclination.

WILBERFORCE.

Wilerforce University is taking time by the forelock. It has already begun preparations for the commencement, and for the events for which events the institution has become famous.

Wilebrforce seems a favored institution of the A. M. E. church, and of a right it ought to be. It has been presided over by distinguished men of letters and saintly men not to speak of the vast number sent out into the world as its offering to the public.

Wilberforce is one of the oldest institutions by and for the race. And while the A. M. E. church has benefited in the main by it, the race as a whole has felt its force, now feels it. When the name is mentioned one thinks of the respectability of the school and the things for which it stands. He thinks of the long and unbroken line of christian stalwarts contributed to the church and to the intellectualism of the Negro race.

Age gathers Wilberforce respect; and due to the quality in the beginning, a thing that has been watched with a jealous eye, and until this day, when its destiny is guided by that distinguished Negro genius, W. S. Scarborough, who is known for his scholastic atttainments and christian zeal.

NEGRO PYTHIANS MUST DROP NAME.

MONTGOMERY, Ala.—Negro Pythians of Alabama, numbering about fifteen or twenty thousand, must discontinue the use of the Pythian name, emblems, banners and rituals according to a decree from the chancery court of Montgomery, upholding a bill filed last May by the grand lodge Knights of Pythias of Alabama (white), against the Knights of Pythias of Europe, Asia, Africa and North and South America (Negro).

SHERMAN, TEXAS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Richards and Pringle's famous Georgia Minstrels will be here Monday night, the 20th inst., at the Opera House. Grand street parade at noon hour....Messrs. Jos. Batsell and Jake Black are arranging for a great banquet for several of their Dallas friends on the night of April 1, at the beautiful home of Mr. Jake Black, in the Fairview settlement. They will be assisted by the Kidd Key College waiters. ....Prof. Chas. Stewart, the noted lecturer and globe trotter, spoke last Tuesday night, the 7th, at Harmony Baptist Church, to a representative audience, on "The Purity of Womanhood." His lecture was quite a treat.

PIQUA, OHIO, BREVITIES.

The Border City Lodge No. 16, is making great preparation to hold their annual Thanksgiving and memorial services March 26th at Cyrene A. M. E. church. They will march from their hall to the church, headed by U. R. K. Co. I., headed by Col. Daniel Meyers and Major John Bird. An elaborate program will be rendered. Sermon will be preached by the pastor, Rev. J. A. Collins, assisted by the Rev. P. Everett of the Park Ave. Baptist church....Mrs. Taylor Madison will give a musical entertainment at Cyrene A. M. E. church March 23rd....The chicken hunt given by Saxaphone Missionary Club at the home of Mrs. Mell Friedlich, was a success, socially and financially. Mr. Ben Bailey was lucky in securing the chicken....Mrs. J. H. Anderson and son Carol have returned home from Chicago, after a delightful visit with Mrs. Anderson, brother and family....Mr. Wilkie Collins, of Land, O., was the guest of Mrs. Bessie Guy and was delightfully entertained during his stay....James Collins, of Greenville, O., stopped over for a few hours' visit with his parents and friends....Geo. Moss, treasurer of Phillipi Lodge 2204 was called to Cincinnati, O., Wednesday, to see District Grand Deputy Joseph L. Jones....Mesdames Ward Rial and Cordelia Johnson and Maud Johnson attended a concert in Troy, O., Friday evening given by the Court of Eastern Star. They report a delightful time....Messrs. W. L. Johnson, Earl Reece, Elias Brown, Elijah Delaney, Leslie Wall and party will attend initiation with Gem City Lodge, Dayton, O., Saturday evening....Mrs. Henry Stanley, of Steubenville, O., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Henry Kennedy and came to see her brother William Wert Brook, who is spending his vacation here. He is attending Wilberforce university....Very jubilant are the local sports over the act of legislation over the act of Sunday base ball. Where it will give the toilers in sweat shops and factories a chance to see the game, where otherwise they would not have the chance and opportunity....Mr. John Gillum, proprietor of the Gillun Cafe, has opened up his place of business on a larger scale. Can give better service to his customers. Give him a call. He was doing a big business when the writer stopped Monday evening.

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BROWNSVILLE, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Messrs. B. Farrington, Lorenzo Taylor, Johnnie Taylor and Miss Eleanor Brooks departed this life recently. The grim reaper is taking the old and the young from our community leaving sad hearts to lament over their departure. But "There is no death; we fall asleep to waken where they never weep. We close our eyes on pain and sin; our breath ebbs out, but life flows in."....Rev. Parr, pastor of the First Baptist church, of this place, in the course of his remarks, March 5th, strongly encouraged Negroes patronizing their own institutions. What a revolution in the financial and material development of the race would there be if our people would heed the advice given....The O. K. barber shop on Jackson street, under the management of the Lanier Bros., has been enlarged and refitted. The manager, Mr. D. V. Lanier, endeavors to give first class work and kindly asks the patronage of any and all who desire work in the tonsorial art. Give him your trade.

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON SPOKE AT DES MOINES, IA.

To the Editor of THE FREEMAN:

Dr. B. T. Washington spoke three here Sunday the 12th. Sunday morning he spoke at the St. Paul church, 4 o'clock at the Plymouth Congregational church to the white people. There was not standing room. About 300 were turned away. At 8 o'clock he spoke again at the same church, and the church was packed from pulpit to the doors with both colored and white....Mrs. M. B. Huston, of Deadwood, S. D., has sold out her restaurant at that place and is now visiting her mother and sisters at 1045 Fourth street place, Des Moines. Mrs. Huston will in a few weeks go through some of the southwestern states looking for a location for business....Mr. B. Elmo, of West Fourth street place, has moved his aged mother, Mrs. L. Brown from Montgomery City, Mo., to Des Moines, to make her home with him....Mr. George Harnes is seriously ill at his home, 936 West Eleventh street with lumbago....There was quarterly meeting at Burnes M. E. church last Sunday.

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CENTRALIA, ILL.

Mrs. Valson died on the 10th, after an illness of about four months. Her age was 32 years. She was buried last Sunday. Rev. Candy of M. E. Zion church, preached the funeral. She leaves a husband and two small children, three brothers and three sisters, and many friends to grief her loss....Mrs. Grandma Wallace is on the sick list....Miss Maude Macklin is up and around after two weeks' illness....James Williams is on the sick list....Mr. Henry Thomas is head cook at the Illinois C. R. R. hotel....Mrs. Corneal, of Decatur, Ill., is here visiting relatives and friends....Mr. J. Garlin departed last Monday for Decatur, Ill....Mrs. Coleman keeps a rooming house....Miss Ida Steele, has gone to St. Louis on a visit....The K. P.'s now have a signed membership of twenty-five. Will be more soon....Mrs. J. Wright is on the sick list....Mr. A. O. Cash has the position as manager of a large fruit farm....Mr. Crawford, porter on Ill. C. R. R. from Chicago, Ill., to Centralia, is a reader of the Freeman, and says it is the best colored paper printed....Mr. A. Simpson is down with the rheumatism. He has been taken to the St. Marys Hospital of this place, which cares for all....Mr. Rasco Guinn, of Mattoon, Ill., is home again. He contemplates going into business....Mr. Ralph Torance is the leading mandolin player. He is organizing a band....Henry Ricks, son of C. Ricks, is on the sick list....The revivals of Second Baptist church ended last Sunday night.

PADUCAH, KY.

Entered the Beyond.

Only a few days ago Brother Robert T. Lowery, a good citizen of Paducah, was taken from our presence. He leaves a wife, two daughters, a brother and a great number of friends to mourn his loss. For many years Brother Lowery was a member of Burk's Chapel A. M. E. church. Rev. G. H. Burk preached his funeral. The Masonic lodge knew Brother Lowery as a loyal member. Cymboline Lodge No. 19 K. of P. knew Sir Lowery as an attentive member and a faithful worker. He was one of the charter members of Cymboline. Less than two years ago Sir Knight R. H. Lowery was captain of Co. H. Uniform Rank K. of P. Refusing the same office again he accepted the officership as Major of the First Regiment. This position he honorably held until his death. Mrs. Guy D. Martin and Miss Fannie Murray, two white lady friends of the Lowery family, sang a duet at the funeral services. The floral designs were beautiful and numerous. Pallbearers Masonic lodge, Mr. Porter Johnson, Mr. Wm. Brazier, William Henry; Co. H, Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias, Past Serg. John Amos, Past Serg. J. Jesse Finley, Sir Knight Will Crowell. George Marshall's brass band furnished music. Col. L. H. George officiated in the military ceremonies. Co. H. accompanied the deceased to burial yard. Sir Knight Major R. T. Lowery was a member of the Court of Calantha....Mr. H. H. Urquhart, the railroad brake shoe inventor, is in the city. During the last several months Mr. Urquhart has been traveling in Pennsylvania, New York, Illinois and New Jersey looking after his invention....That K. of P. minstrel at the Odd Fellows Hall Monday was quite a success. Cross certainly made them laugh....Do you want enjoyment, fun and pleasure? Go with the K. of P. minstrel boys to Mayfield Monday evening, March 20th....Rev. Sam Read is visiting Paducah, and shaking hands with his many friends....You are respectfully invited to go with the K. of P. minstrel boys to Mayfield Monday evening, March 20th. Watch the bills for further particulars.

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AIDA OVERTON WALKER.

One of Stageland's Greatest Artists.

In applying the title: "One of Stageland's Greatest Artists," to Miss Aida Overton Walker, we feel that but simple justice has been done one of the greatest women on the American stage today. The term "great" is advisedly applied, because there is absolutely no middle ground in comparing her with other actresses of the race. In Miss Walker we have had, for years, the highest expression of stagecraft in a long line of uninterrupted successes. Whatever has come to her by way of acknowledgment has been the result of hard work and untiring effort. The oddness of her work is as distinct as she is herself. Aida Overton Walker can not and does not do common things. She is equally at home in the portrayal of historic characters and dances as she would be in the rendition of an ordinary "coon rag." Art, real art, is a part of the woman's very being

AIDA OVERTON-WALKER.

and she could no more divorce herself from it than she could separate herself from her very breath. It would be but a waste of time and space to go on with a long detailed harangue of this marvelous young woman's work and career on the stage as it is known by most every school boy and girl in the land.

THE SMART SET COMPANY IN INDIANAPOLIS.

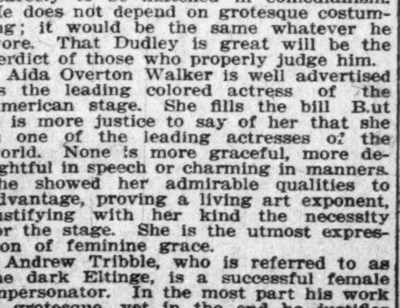
Presenting S. H. Dudley in "His Honor, The Barber."

S. H. Dudley and his bunch of players are at the Park Theater, Indianapolis, this week. For days the theatrical horizon has been scanned with the hopes of discovering this bunch, one of the very last of those big aggregations that now seems of a golden age. The dropping out of such attractions as Williams and Walker, Cole and Johnson, greatly reduced the chances of seeing shows of the first class, consequently the Dudley set was expected with increased interest. Theater people were eager to see a tip-top presentation spread out over the whole evening and when and where they could enjoy themselves to their heart's content.

Dudley's people were no disappointment. The fun began with the rise of the curtain ceasing only when the great outer curtain slowly descended, shutting out, for the time being, the long hoped for. The audience was in a continuous ripple of merriment throughout, not to speak of a number who could not control their risibilities, or perhaps did not care to.

At any rate they "let her go," competing at times with the show people for attention.

Dudley, the comedian, is the chief fun maker. If anything, he improves from year to year. He is decidedly easier funny this year than at any other time. Whether his humor is a gift or the result of study it is difficult to decide. But the more it is studied, the more one is convinced that the thing is masterful. It consists in what he does not say, as well as what he says; his hints and expressions leading one to anticipate long be-



fore what must follow. He is not garulous or talkative, apparently talking as little as possible, leaving one anxious that he would do more. His repartee is scarcely to be matched in comedianism. He does not depend on grotesque costuming; it would be the same whatever he wore. That Dudley is great will be the verdict of those who properly judge him.

Aida Overton Walker is well advertised as the leading colored actress of the American stage. She fills the bill B.ut it is more justice to say of her that she is one of the leading actresses of the world. None is more graceful, more delightful in speech or charming in manners. She showed her admirable qualities to advantage, proving a living art exponent, justifying with her kind the necessity for the stage. She is the utmost expression of feminine grace.

Andrew Tribble, who is referred to as the dark Eltinge, is a successful female impersonator. In the most part his work is grotesque, yet in the end he justifies the name applied to him by his smart appearance. He divides the honors with Dudley and very worthily.

The chorus is quite up to the standard. Many pretty, sprightly songs are sung wherein are heard many good voices of men and women. The female members are pretty, act lively, and are beautifully costumed. The men are a fine set of fellows, look well and do their parts with the precision of soldiers. The solos were well rendered and won repeated applause of the audience.

ANDREW TRIBBLE.

No recruit to the modern show world has made greater strides in the profession than has Andrew Tribble. As a delineator of colored female characters he hasn't a peer. The present "Smart Set" combination owes much of its popularity to the finished art of this great comedian. It has been said of Mr. Tribble by the best American critics, that he is the only rival of the great Eltinge in the portrayal of female characters. All of his work is studious and convincingly true to nature. No performer can become great without originality and faithfulness to the characters they portray. These qualifications are the only profitable assets in the estimation of a real artist. The breadth and scope of their endeavor can be computed upon no other basis. The versatility of characters portrayed by Mr. Tribble has been the talk of all stageland, including the great Eltinge himself. Speaking of Mr. Tribble's work after having witnessed a performance of the great colored comedian at Buffalo, N. Y., a short time ago, Mr. Eltinge had the following to say:

"I regard Mr. Tribble as a real genius and withdraw any opposition I may have entertained in the past as to the advisability or justness to myself of permitting him to bill himself as the 'Black Eltinge' of America." The work of Mr. Tribble has elevated and increased the value of the "wench" caricatures in legitimate musical comedy. These characterizations are sure to take their places, as an indispensible factor, in the future construction of stage craft. The evolution of this value to the character is due almost entirely to the brilliant work of Mr. Tribble. His taste in the matter of dress, although invariably ludicrous and exaggerated, have in the few instances where he has elected to sally forth with some show or pretense to the exactions of current styles, brought forth abundant comment from the female patrons of his audiences. To this studiousness of dress is due the seret of his marvelous success. He has

steadfastly assumed the theory that no character could be properly portrayed unless properly dressed. The work of Mr. Tribble has been of a standout quality since his first appearance several years ago. From his days back at the old Pekin theater down to the present time, carrying him across a period involving engagements with prominent vaudeville houses up to and including his well known success with the late Cole and Johnson aggregation. Mr. Tribble has been often spoken of here of late as a prospective co-star with several prominent colored actors and actresses and it would not surprise the show world if he were seen soon in a brand new comedy as one of the stars.

LIZZIE HART WITH THE "SMART SET."

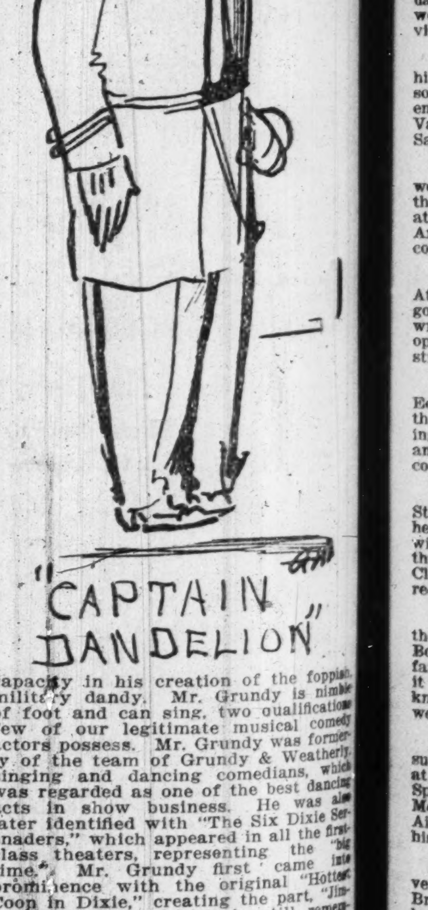
The friends and admirers of Miss Lizzie Hart, who so recently created a big sensation at the Crown Garden Theater during a two weeks' engagement as its leading prima donna, were surprised to find her a member of the "Smart Set" Company. Miss Hart is well and prominently cast in the show. Mr. Dudley deserves much credit for securing the services of such a gifted young actress. Lizzie Hart is an all-round performer and can do more than sing and talk. She is an actress of attainments in the art of the game. Nature has been extremely kind to Miss Hart endowing her with a beautiful face and form, together with an ease and naturalness of grace and manner that is attracting the attention of the theatrical critics everywhere. I feel that the colored show world has found in Miss Hart a premier in "leads" who will stand a peer for a long time to come. The range and quality of her voice has been sufficiently commented on in these columns before. The things with which I shall most concern myself in this review is the stunning manner in which Miss Hart did all there was assigned to her as Mr. Dudley's leading lady. Coming fresh from the ranks of vaudeville and leaping with a single bound in to the leading role of a company of the Smart Set calibre and get-

ting away unscathed is a feat that any actress might point to with pride. All of the situations of "His Honor the Barber" in which Miss Hart appears seems to take on a new snap and vigor consequent upon her appearance. It is difficult for one seated in front to conceive the fact that she has been playing the part only a few days. The little crudities one would naturally expect to see are entirely absent—another evidence of Miss Hart's intuitive genius. Grace, manner and delicate touch in the portrayal of stage characters comes to the successful ones only by a hard grind and long and tedious application, with her it seems a natural gift. Her gesticulations in the rendition of her song numbers, which have made her famous, still obtain in her new song, "Rubbernecking Moon," which she is singing with the Smart Set Company with great success. Miss Hart has an offer to be featured with Mr. Dudley next season in his new show which has not yet been announced. The combination is looked forward to as one of the strongest presented in years and will doubtless be eagerly watched by The Freeman readers.

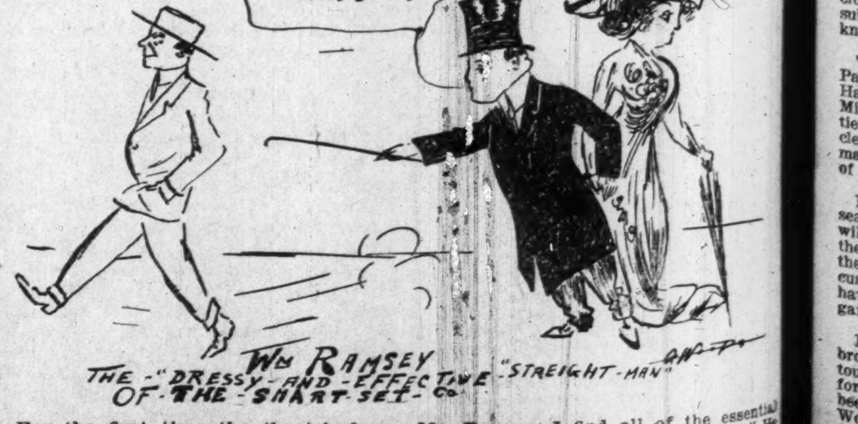
WM. H. GRUNDY.

The "Captain Dandelion," of the "Smart Set" Company.

Wm. H. Grundy, impersonating the character of "Capt. Dandelion," in "His Honor the Barber," is a character in the show business that is causing people to sit up and take notice. The character he is interpreting is a difficult one, requiring a stately bearing that is always hard for "the brother" to properly assume. There are so few dandies in reality among the race and so little to obtain by way of copy, that Mr. Grundy shows himself a performer of unusual



capacity in his creation of the foppish military dandy. Mr. Grundy is nimble of foot and can sing, two qualifications few of our legitimate musical comedy actors possess. Mr. Grundy was formerly of the team of Grundy & Weatherly, singing and dancing comedians, which was regarded as one of the best dancing acts in show business. He was also later identified with "The Six Dixie Serenaders," which appeared in all the first-class theaters, representing the "big time." Mr. Grundy first came into prominence with the original "Hottest Coon in Dixie," creating the part, "Jimmy Lightfoot." which is still remembered as one of the real clever characterizations of the show.



For the first time the theatrical patrons of Indianapolis had an opportunity to see William Ramsey during the advent of the Smart Set, which held forth at the Park Theater during the entire week. Mr. Ramsey made a distinct impression. His work is clean cut, natural and not overdone. His single song opportunity, "Sweetness," with a nimble chorus behind him was a big go. In Mr. Ramsey I find all of the essential attributes of a high-class "straight." He is a good line reader, has perfect gestures and stilts his comedian at all angles. In the matter of dressing his part and the "business" put into it were both above criticism. He is a youngster who will bear watching. It is just possible that the company could stand quite a little bit more of Ramsey to the betterment of the whole show.

THE STAGE

Carita Day is scoring a success on the Sullivan & Considine time.

Cooper and Robison this week at the Green Point theater, Brooklyn.

Johnson and Watts on Sheddy time, week of 13th, Bijou, New Britain, Conn.

Brown's Tennessee Minstrels at Hardin, Mo., this week. Success is reported.

Richard and Pringle's famous Georgia Minstrels in Sherman, Texas, week of 20th inst.

The Cubanolia Trio made quite an impression at the Ford theater, Brooklyn, last week.

Clarence Cameron White, virtuoso violinist, sends greetings from Decatur, Ala., says the tour is prosperous.

Miss Eva Jupiter has returned to New York after a fourteen weeks' tour with the Jolly Bachelor company.

The Parker Rappleyea company will open at Sumner Hall, Brooklyn, March 31st in a minstrel first part.

The well known Tim Owsley, stage manager and producer, will go to the Majestic theater, Hot Springs, to take charge.

William E. Jones, the singing comedian, is featuring his big song hit, "Piano Man," receiving three and four encores.

Kelley and Davis, one of the best known western acts, have entered vaudeville in the east, and will play the Crescent theater, New York, soon.

DeRose, female impersonator, opened the bill at the Crescent theater, New York, last week with a comedy operatic number and scored a big hit.

S. H. Dudley, Miss Ella Anderson, William Ramsey and Mrs. Ora Dunlop, of the Smart Set Company were callers at The Freeman office during the week.

John W. Dunston and George Morris will present a novelty school act in vaudeville, entitled, "A Reception at Tuskegee," in which will be a cast of eight people.

Madam Dempsey took a week of rest after successful engagement at the Monogram. This week playing on the North West Side at the Century theater. Act going big.

Russell Smith, now of Montgomery's Dixie Flyers, will join the Whitney Bros. Smart Set, Southern company. He will have a prominent part; will also be an understudy.

Fred A. Barrasso, owner of the Majestic theater, Hot Spr ings,Ark., and controller of four other theaters, now located at the Majestic. Letters addressed there will reach him.

John Rucker, the comedian, scored a big hit with the songs "Next Week" and "You Sure Done Lost Your Mind" which was written expressly for him at the Crescent theater last week, N. Y.

The ten Georgia Troubadours played a return date at the Crescent theater, N. Y. last week. The singing is good and the dancing is great. The two comedians would make an excellent team for vaudeville.

John Moore, that character wizard, and his wife Lila, the dainty little 107-pound soubrette, just closed six successful weeks engagement at Pekin theater, Richmond, Va. Will open March 13, Pekin theater, Savannah, Ga.

May and May have just closed a three-week engagement at the Little Savoy theater, Memphis, Tenn, and have opened at the Majestic theater, Hot Springs, Ark. Going big and have to refuse encores nightly.

Do you want an engagementi n Atlanta, Athens, Macon, Augusta, Beaufort, Montgomery, Pensacola or Mobile? If so, write L. D. Joel, the theatrical king for open time. Arcade Theater, 31 Decatur street, Atlanta, Ga.

The Invincible Trio, James Johnson, Eddie Mackey and Bert Jones, now on the Webster Vaudeville Circuit, are having success. Two of the boys, Johnson and Mackey, are totally blind. They are comedians. Now playing in Canada.

Billie Cross, writing from the Belmont St. theater, Pensacola, Fla., says that he opened his engagement on the 17th with great success. He was assisted by the reliable Bobbie Glenn, the Gulfford's, Clark, Hicks and Clark. Everything was red hot.

It is said that Joe Sims, at the Grand theater, Chicago, in his new song "Neck Bones" was so "effective" that a lady fainted outright, overjoyed was the way it was put at the diagnosis. The act is known as "Mrs. Hobbles." He's doing wench with great success.

Milton and Meyers have just closed a successful engagement over the Sun time at Cincinnati. They will go to Hot Springs, Ark., on Fred Barasso's time. Meyers makes a big hit singing "You Ain't Talking to Me," and Milton holds his own in buck and wing dancing.

John W. Cooper and A. G. Brooks, ventriloquist, had the theatergoers of Brooklyn going on Monday and Tuesday, last week. The two boys were working opposite each other and the crowd would go from the theater to the other to compare the relative value of each performer.

The Peerless Orchestra, of Newark, N. J., is scoring such a success introducing the late popular numbers that they are in quite demand throughout New Jersey. This orchestra of ten musicians, including Miss Luara Brown, who acts as substitue for Mme. C. Johnson, the well known pianist.

The Alabama Rosebuds openeds at the Pastime theater, Athens, Ga., March 6th. Having success. Others on the bill are: Miss Nugent, the dancing wonder; Nettie Owens, the soubrette; Miss Foster, a clever singer; Frank Tansel, is stage manager. J. S. Davis, manager, is spoken of as a fine sort of man.

Bryant and Wright, after a successful season with the Sunny Dixie Minstrels, will close with them April 16, and visit their people at Gallatin, Tenn., for a week, then open with the Yankee Robinson circus at Des Moines, Ia., of which they have been with for three seasons. Regards to all in and out of the profession.

It is rumored that the two Martin brothers, of Nashville, Tenn., who have toured the Mazeppa Horse Show Band for two consecutive seasons, '09-'10, have been offered a good price by Prof. James Wolfscale of the Fourpaugh-Sells Bros. for this season. There is no doubt but what the Mazeppa Band will be weakened by loosing these two brothers.

The Great English and Queen Dora are going exceptionally big in the South. Played one week at the Maceo, Columbia, S. C., where they went so great that the management got them to stay over another week. Lester McDaniels still leaves them screaming. Gussie Bright is still the favorite. Rea Nicholas, prima donna, has closed; she was the talk of the town.

MUSICAL AND DRAMATIC EVENTS CHICAGO, ILL.

New Grand Theater to Open Monday, March 20th.

By Sylvester Russell.

The New Grand Theater, declared by competent critics to be the finest theater in the United States, is devoted to the colored people. It will be opened Monday, March 20th, and continuous performances will be given daily thereafter from 7 to 12 o'clock p. m. and on Sundays and holidays from 6 to 12. The New Grand is located at 3110 and 3112 State street, where it is easily accessible. Architectually it is a work of art, and is a great addition to the beauty of the neighborhood. No expense or pains have been spared to make this theater the finest in the country and it is designed to give the colored people of Chicago the best accommodations for theater going that it has been possible to devise. There are 800 comfortable seats and every patron will be treated with the utmost courtesy and made to feel at home. While the theater itself is all that could be desired, the character of the performances will surpass anything of the kind that has been seen in Chicago heretofore. The vaudeville acts and numbers will be the best that money can buy in acknowledgment of the fact that no class of people are so keen in their criticism of performances as is the colored race. There is no question that on the opening night the house will be taxed to its full capacity at every performance, and that the colored people will give their full appreciation to the enterprise that has given for their exclusive use and enjoyment this new temple of amusement where they can while away the hour and rive dull care away. Murphy and Francis will head the bill.

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"The Test" at the Pekin.

The Pekin Theater Company opened on last Monday evening to a large audience to witness a new comedy of domestic life by Jesse A. Shipp. The story which is condensed to two acts in order to give time for moving pictures and wrestling matches, gave much pleasure. "The Test" deals with a charming young miss who puts her three admirers to a test and in the second act continues and ends in a church festival of singing and dancing. The principal characters were taken by Billy Johnson, who was loudly applauded in his oratorical and dramatic work, and Miss Lottie Grady, who is always at home in sombre acting scenes, dispelled by dawning beauty. The three comedians, Allie Gillam, Charles Gilpin and Shelton Brooks had less to do than usual, but Mr. Gilpin's dramatic and comedy work was all that could be desired and Mr. Gillam was funny, as usual, and Mr. Brooks was also interesting. Hattie McIntosh and Maggie Davis also gave good account of themselves in their dramatic dialogues in unwinding the story. The singing in the festival rehearsal in the second act was especially musical. Here Miss Fanny Wise, who received her usual advanced ovation, sang another one of her chirping songs with invincible joy. The sextet from "Lucia" which concluded the play, was excellently rendered by Lloyd G. Gibbs, Clarence Tisdale, Fanny Wise, Adah Banks, Will C. Elkins and W. D. Coleman. Mr. Gibbs who was in good voice, once again domonstrated his true ability as a tenor singer. Miss Marie Burton also sang superbly.

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Vincent Wins Over Schultz.

The Pekin was again crowded both Tuesday and Fridaynight s of last week, when on Friday evening Illa Vincent threw William Schultz, the German navy champion, in the best two out of three. The preliminaries which were newly introduced on the bill, consisted of Raspus and Smith and Arthur Virgin, Gus Velles, Young Gordon and Young Schoellkops.

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Brown and Lowery at the Monogram.

The organ chimes which pealed so sweetly at the Monogram Monday evening turned people away at every performance. All their comedy work was blithely interspereed with virtues of lucidness hardly imaginable. This is the best colored musical act of the kind that has played Chicago in many decades and the big time will surely get them. The Washington-Prince trio was a good holdover combination. They gave a new act in which Will Washington, Arthur Prince and wife sustained their records of last week. Taylor and Price was another new attraction of fine looking youngsters. The young lady is pretty and danced well, while the boy gave marvelous stunts in dancing and acrobatic work in a class that reminded us of Sam Davis. Miss Elvira Johnson gave an excellent new single act and won much applause.

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An All Star Bill at the Grand.

Miss Lillian Brown led off and her boy character was well suited to her singing and clever dancing work. The Clark's returned still popular. Mr. Clark, with new satires on his Jewish and Italian dialect character singing, proved to be an actor of recognized ability. Their singing numbers were fine. Billy B. and Leonce Johnson who is attractive, sang ragtime songs well and Billy B. danced so well he made the people scream. Simms and Thompson closed the bill with a scream. Joe Simms in a new working woman's role, was excruciatingly funny and Thompson was fairly good in his support.

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Ten Dark Knights was at the Orpheum Joliet, Ill., last week.

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Chas. E. Burton, who deserted the Lime Kiln Comedy Four without notice, has joined the Georgia Minstrels.

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Napoleon Johnson, whose case is lingering is to be sent to the home of his aunt at Kansas City, Mo.

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Anita Wilkins, who has been home on a visit, returned last Wednesday to St. Louis, Mo., where she is a member of the stock company at Barrett's theater.

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Sidney L. Perrin has returned home from a visit to his mother at New Orleans. One of his receptions was in the form of a Creole gumbo dinner given by his friends.

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Leroy F. Johnson, a colored boy, played the part of a butler in "A Fool There Was" at McVickers Theater. Robert Hilliard is the star of the production and must be given credit for properly presenting that which is genuine in an American play.

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Theodore Henderson, of Henderson and Thomas, is up and out again. He is now being attended by Dr. Carter, a lung expert, and his progress has been marvellous. He is still residing at the home of Emma and Mabel Griffin, cared for by their mother gratis. Mr. Henderson will probably be able to return to the stage in a fortnight or two.

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The music for the St. Rose Senior Club on Feb. 27th, at Maennerchor Hall, in New York, was furnished by Harry S. Huggs orchestra. He is the partner of Lawrence M. Heard, who has the Chicago office of their musical publications, at 3159 State street, in Dorsey's studio, rear of Frank L. Gale Piano company.

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William H. Smith, formerly manager of the Howard Theater, Washington, D. C., left last week for Detroit, Mich., to attend the funeral of his brother, John S. Smith, who died suddenly at Buttee, Mont., and was shipped to the home of his mother. Bishop C. S. Smith of the A. M. E. church and Mrs. Lucy D. Thurman, the lecturer, are also his brother and sister, respectively.

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William D. Evans, representative for the Lyre Theater, of Louisville, Ky., is in the city securing acts for a re-opening of the spring and summer season of vaudeville. Mr. Evans is collaborated with William H. Taylor, musical director of the Lyre Theater orchestra and their songs will soon be heard on the Stroll.

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I had a pleasant communication from Mr. A. L. Harris, the tragic actor and playwright, who is now located at Louisville, Ky. Mr. Harris is the author of the "Bogus Prince of Hayti," which he recently produced with E. D. Marshall and the Misses Jessie Lee and Edith Collins Marshall in the cast. He is dreaming of the prospects in Chicago.

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Edward C. Moore, the young lyric writer and playwright, has been busy developing a one-act southern play into two acts for the Pekin Stock Company. Mr. Jesse A. Shipp has offered to give the play a hearing at first opportunity. I spent a quiet evening with Mr. Moore one day last week in his cozy little flat on Twenty-seventh street. After a chicken lunch supper he carried me into his little parlor studio to read over some plays and lyric numbers. Mr. Moore was the prize winner of lyric writers in the Chapiro Music Company contest in New York last winter.

THE SUNNY DIXIE MINSTRELS EN ROUTE.

Sunny Dixie Minstrels are now in Oklahoma playing to packed houses nightly. Dan Thompson has added another car to the company—now carrying two cars. Mr. Cohn, our business manager, is working hard every day keeping things in first class shape. Our Monday parade is a novelty. Twelve o'clock sharp every day. The ghost walks every Sunday. The show has the best of singing and dancing. It is made up as follows: Louis Wiley, known as "Louisiana Lue;" Harry Jones, known as "Boots" extreme end men, and real live fun makers; Brown and English, real live fun makers; Ford Wiggins and Ed Ives, buck and wing dancing; Harry Jones, Willie McCoy. Miss Willie Jones is still leaving them screaming nightly over her singing. Ida Gardner is also doing extra fine, pleasing the public. The band is as follows: Frank Perryman, trombone and bandmaster; Sam Tattnal, Tuba; W. M. Bryant, baritone; Frank Robinson, alto; J. W. Wright, alto; W. E. Louis, cornet; Carl Daniels, D. W. Botsell, clarinet; Willie McCoy and Sammie Wallburg, batters.

ACTS NEW TO INDIANAPOLIS.

B. F. KEITH'S GRAND.

Miller & Lyles.
Talking and Singing.
12 Minutes in "One."

One of the funniest and best constructed talking acts that ever opened in Indianapolis is appearing this week at the B. F. Keith Grand Opera House. It is Miller & Lyles, the diminutive little duo that is causing all America to sing their praises. Here is an act of real merit. It represents the most radical departure from the old "biff-bam" singing and dancing stuff usually offered by the colored brother seen in a long time. Miller and Lyles are two real comedians—two constructive comedians that build and depend upon their own stuff. Where such originality as they possess is used as the basis of construction failure is impossible. Years ago it would have been utterly impossible for one to conceive a Negro comedy team making good in an almost straight talking act depending upon their puns and witicisms alone to "fetch the bacon." The act is a continuous roar from the time they come on until they go off. It is composed of nothing but a long series of bright and witty confab, a street argument as it were, between two city coons of the slums. Every phase and peculiarity of the black man's life is focussed in the twelve minutes of rapid fire talk they hand over; herein lies the great secret of their success—showing conclusively that the Negro is and always will be an interesting subject on the American stage to the white brother. All the public wants is novelty and

something new from the colored performers and they will pay to see it. If they show the inventive genius of Miller & Lyles and produce something new, many of the colored performers who have been tossed into the discard off of the "big time" for want of novelty and unique construction will be welcomed back with open arms. Miller and Lyles are spoken of in the highest terms as gentlemen on and off the stage. It is to be hoped that the precedent of this team will prod other colored performers to immediate action in the pursuit of new ideas and reconstruction of their acts.

THE FAMILY THEATER

Marsh Craig.
12 Minutes Full Stage.
Contortionist.

Marsh Craig, one of the oldest and best known contortionists in the business, opened at the Family Theater last Monday for a week. Craig is without doubt a wonder. The death defying positions in which he contorts his body

during his act has puzzled the medical fraternity for years. We present herewith, in cartoon, an illustration of one of his feats which has been the marvel of the past decade, barring all competition. In this "stunt" the game little performer actually sustains the entire weight of the body by grasping in his teeth a small rod of iron on a revolving pedestal, thereby placing the entire weight of the body on the neck and jaws. The act is generally featured wherever it appears, defying as it does, all the laws of human endurance, lends to it an irrestible novelty that managers are glad to hang on to.

FRANK MONTGOMERY.

The Crown Garden has back with it for the entire week that popular and well remembered comedian, Frank Montgomery, who comes not alone, but "brung" ten other lads and lassies along with him who are there forty ways from taw. This might be properly termed a furious bunch. They cut in from the go and continue the slaughter for nearly two hours most mercilessly. The audience Monday night, notwithstanding the opposition of the "Smart Set" were jammed in like sardines. The company presented "In Ethiopiavillie." I do not know who is responsible for its construction, but I do know and hasten to say that it is all wool and a yard wide. Mr. Montgomery deserves much credit for this offering. He has so arranged the outfit that he is able to take eighteen minutes on any vaudeville bill and make good with a distinct novelty, or he can stretch it out one hour and thirty minutes and play any of the smaller time houses furnishing two shows nightly. How is this for a variety of usages. As a black face comedian, Montgomery came back strong and convincing. To his ver-

satility we take our hats off as we had never seen him in any other than in the role of a "straight" man. Speaking of the company, Mayor Bray, of Brazil, Ind., where the company recently appeared, had the following to say: "A corking good show. I saw Bert Williams in 'The Follies of 1910' and his drole comedy made me laugh as I had never laughed before. Well, I saw Frank Montgomery last night and I laughed again. Bert Williams and Frank Montgomery are as much alike as two peas." The book, lyrics and music of "In Ethiopiaville" were written by Mr. Montgomery. The chorus numbers are pretty and well drilled. As a musical oddity, "Ethiopiaville is one of the best things I have seen for some time.

J. D. Howard.

J. J. WEAVER AND EULA MAY PERRY

It is seldom now-a-days, that a marriage is consumated between two individuals with such brilliant prospects for perenial cunnubial felicity, as the marriage contracted Dec. 18, between J. J. Weaver and Eula May Perry, at the bride's home, Sulphur Springs, Texas. They seem to possess all the essentials for marital happiness, social and mental equality, refined natures and artistic temperaments.

Mrs. Weaver is a product of Bishop College, Tyler, Texas, and for several

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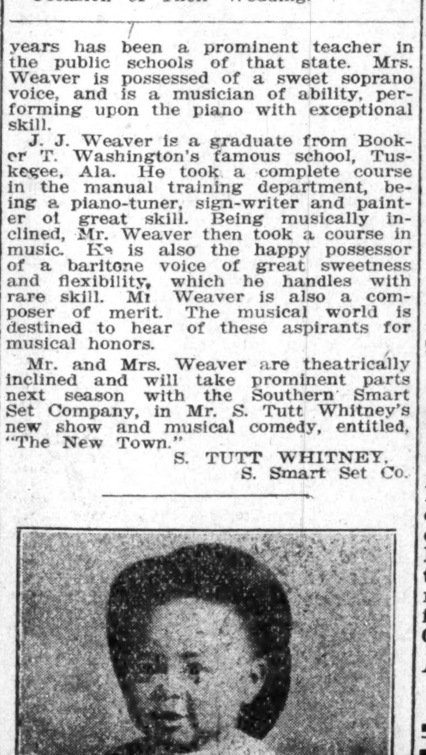
years has been a prominent teacher in the public schools of that state. Mrs. Weaver is possessed of a sweet soprano voice, and is a musician of ability, performing upon the piano with exceptional skill.

J. J. Weaver is a graduate from Booker T. Washington's famous school, Tuskegee, Ala. He took a complete course in the manual training department, being a piano-tuner, sign-writer and painter of great skill. Being musically inclined, Mr. Weaver then took a course in music. He is also the happy possessor of a baritone voice of great sweetness and flexibility, which he handles with rare skill. Mr Weaver is also a composer of merit. The musical world is destined to hear of these aspirants for musical honors.

Mr. and Mrs. Weaver are theatrically inclined and will take prominent parts next season with the Southern Smart Set Company, in Mr. S. Tutt Whitney's new show and musical comedy, entitled, "The New Town."

S. TUTT WHITNEY,
S. Smart Set Co.



AUDREY L. LYLES.

The little daughter of Aubrey Lyles of the team Miller & Lyles, now playing the B. F. Keith's Grand Opera House, Indianapolis, Ind.

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The week's attraction at the Majestic theater the 6th, was a great act. Headliner, Mr. J. Ellison Carroll, the champion roper of the world, showing and explaining the real cowboy life on his ranch at Erick, Okla. After this act leaves this theater, it is booked for big houses on Wm. Morris' time. Mr. Carroll shows his moving-picture scene, where he won the world's contest from Mr. H. Fiqoua, of Enid, Okla., in 1906. The next attraction is original "Stringbean," and his dancing soubrette was a riot. Standing room only. Coming, the famous producer, Mr. Tim Owsley. Mr. Barrasso has secured the service of Mr. Tim Owsley as the stage producer for the Majestic theater.

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SUNNY DIXIE MINSTRELS, EN ROUTE.

Mr. W. E. Lewis, solo Bb cornetist, joined us March 2nd, at Ardmore, Okla., and sends regards to all friends. Mr. D. W. Batsell, solo Bb clarinetist, joined us at Davis, Okla., and sends regards to all friends. Timmons and Alford be sure and write. Address all mail care "The Freeman." Mrs. Lillian Wiggins left us on the 14th for Knoxville, Tenn., on account of bad health; will return when she recovers. Mr. Louie Wiley, our stage manager, is the right man in the right place, and a very clever comedian. Mr. Frank Perryman's 10-piece band is rendering some nice selections daily.

Read The Freeman; subscribe for it, the best and latest news can be found in its columns.

STAGE NOTES.

Red Everly accompanied by the well known Dudley mule, paid the Freeman a brief call on Wednesday. "Patrick" seemed perfectly satisfied. They took in Indiana avenue and doubtless the mule thought he was on State street, Chicago.

The Smart Set, as usual, gathered them in while in Indianapolis.

The Pewees are still at the McKinnie Theater, Augusta, Ga.

ROUTE.

S. H. DUDLEY, IN "HIS HONOR, THE BARBER"—Week of March 20, Pittsburg, Pa.

J. C. O'BRIEN'S GEORGIA MINSTRELS—Beele, Ark., March 19, 20; Bald Kent, 21; Newark, 22; Batesville, 23; Newport, 24; Hoxie, 25.

RICHARDS & PRINGLE'S FAMOUS MINSTRELS.—Bonham, Tex., March 20; Denison, 21; Sherman, 22; Leonard, 23; Durant, Okla., 24; Senfaula, 25.

BROWN'S TENNESSEE MINSTRELS.—Huntsville, Mo., March 20; Holiday, 21; Paris, 22; Stontsville, 23; Hull, Ill., 24.

PROF. EPH WILLIAMS FAMOUS TROUBADOURS AND SILAS GREEN CO.—Auken, S. C., March 20-21; Denmark, 22; Orangeling, 23; Branchville, 24; Summerville, 25; Charleston, 27-28.

WILLIAM McCABE'S GEORGIA TROUBADOURS.—Norway, Ia., March 19-20; Tama, 21; Trace, 22; Reinbeck, 23; Grundy Center, 24; Wellsburg, 25-26-27.

BLACK PATTI MUSICAL COMEDY COMPANY.—Annapolis, Md., March 20; Frederick, 21; Winchester, Va., 22; Carlisle, Pa., 23; Harrisburg, 24; Sunbury, 25.

BUSBY'S WORLD'S GREATEST MINSTREL SHOWS.—Tecumseh, Okla., March 20; Shawnee, 21; Davenport, 22.

LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Frye, Ed	Moss, A. G.
Hutt, Albert.	Nealey, Walter.
Holmes, James L.	Price, Thomas
Howard, M. D.	Puggsley, Wm.
Israel, George	Taylor, Jas. Adrian
Joplin, Mr.	Wamego—Hindoo Juggler
Lockhart, Carter	

Ladies' List.

Alford, Jonnie	Johnson, Mrs. Fay
Dorsey, Miss Mattie.	Moore, Miss Effie.
Davis, Miss Henriet	Taylor, Miss Ruby.
Harris, Miss Jessie.	

NOTICE!

Anybody informing me of the whereabouts of John Pamplin, the juggler, will be highly appreciated, as I am anxious to locate him at once. L. D. JOEL, Arcade Theatre/31 Decatur street, Atlanta, Ga.

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NOTICE!

Mr. Oscar C. Carter, business representative for Mr. Fred A. Barrasso, the owner of the "Tri-State Circuit," would like to hear from all A No. 1 performers. Booked from four to eight weeks. Opening at the Majestic Theatre in Hot Springs, and paying transportation after joining. Mr. Barrasso has one of the finest Theaters in Hot springs, with a seating capacity of 500 and dressing rooms unsurpassed. Would like to hear from the following artists: The Griffin Sisters, Simms & Thompson, Perrin & Crosby, Hijerry Barnes, C. H. Campbell, Johnson & Ringold and all other good A No. 1 performers.

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The Stage.

Jones and Gillam played the Starland Theater, Montreal, March 6th, and Orpheum Theater, Kingston, Ont., March 13th.

Morrison and Washington opened at the Petrolia Theater, San Francisco, February 26th, playing Ernest Howell's time; twelve weeks, future.

Mack and Mack (Billie and Mary) are the feature actors with the Hunt's Georgia Minstrels, supported by a strong cast, including Wilminor Cooke, straight and character man, Johnnie King at the piano.

Little Tommie Lewis, the cornet player, formerly with Richard & Pringle's minstrels, Forepaugh & Sells Bros. circus and several other similar attractions, is very sick at his home in Austin, Texas. His brother, George Lewis, of Kansas City, Mo., is at his bedside. His speedy recovery is hoped.

It is the Polk Trio now instead of Polk and Riddick. The trio has just finished a successful engagement of eleven weeks at the Star Theater, in Washington, D. C. Opened up week of 13th at the Hiawatha Theater. Polk is doing some clever comedian work. Davis is making it in eccentric buck dancing. Bessie is also making good.

McNeil and McNeil write that after four successful weeks at Arcade Theater, Atlanta, Mr. Joeel sent them to Star Hall Theater, Augusta, Ga., where they are trying to please as usual. Will remain there until the King says move on to another one of his chain of houses. Here's success to the best theater manager in the South, L. D. Joel, the acknowledged friend to the colored performers.

The Overtons, Tom and Onnie, have been booked at the Queen Theater, Montgomery, Ala. They will go to Helena, Ark., the first of April, to take charge of the Walnut Grove Park Theater. Tom Overton will be director of amusements; Cleve Jones, manager of park; Murray Smith, music director; Will Jones, trombone; Chas. Smith, violin; Anderson King, traps. All people connected with the show, write to Tom Overton, 85 Jackson avenue, Memphis, Tenn.

Last week was a gala week at the Barrett Theatorium, St. Louis, Mo. The Griffen Sisters opened to a packed house and took their audience by storm. This is their first appearance in St. Louis and as usual they have won the hearts of the people. Manager Barrett has decided to keep them over for another week. The stock company is playing the Lime Kiln Klub. Madame Anita Wilkins, a member of the stock, is in Chicago this week on business. Miller & Lyles are playing the Columbia and are making their headquarters at Barrett's Theatorium.

STAR THEATER AUGUSTA, GA.

McNeil and McNeil opened Monday at the Star Theater, Augusta, Ga., and were a decided hit on the bill. They were booked by L. D. Joel, Theatrical King. The manager says he couldn't be better pleased. As a team f class, the McNeils have the act.

SOUTHERN THEATRICAL KING.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA.—L. D. Joel, the theatrical king, is now booking ten of the principal houses in Georgia, Florida, South Carolina and Alabama, as follows: Arcade Theater, Atlanta, Ga.; Famous Theater, Atlanta, Ga.; Pastime Theater, Athens, Ga.; Budweiser Theater, Macon, Ga.; Star Hall Theater, Augusta, Ga.; Air Dome Theater, Augusta, Ga., Auditorium Theater, Beaufort, S. C.; Queen Theater, Montgomery, Ala.; Belmont Theater, Pensacola, Fla.; Dixie Park Theater, Mobile, Ala. So if you want long bookings and make good at the starting point at Atlanta, then it's peaches and cream right down the line. The King will do the balance, so get busy. Write or wire for open time. Headquarters, Arcade Theater, 81 Decatur Street, Atlanta, Ga.

HOUSTON THEATER LOUISVILLE, KY.

The Huston stock company, composed of the following high-class artists, the Jolly Hendersons, Billy and Beulah, Carrie May Hall, the Williams-Shackleford Trio, Margie Crosby and Sloppy Henry. This company was seen the week of March 6th in one of Mr. Henderson's comedy-dramas, "The Cowboy of the West," and from reports is the best ever attempted by any colored company in Louisville. However, Mr. Houston, the manager, and Billy are wearing the "smile that won't come off." Mr. Henderson promises the amusement loving public of Louisville something new each week and thus far has not disappointed them.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

Will Be Highly Favored—Three Great Artists—Madame Hackley, Messrs. Smith, White and Simpson.

Special to The Freeman.

Chattanooga, better known to the people in its immediate vicinity, as the gateway to the South, is becoming popular and attractive to the traveling public. Within the next few weeks we shall have the pleasure of hearing three of our best artists in music. Mr. Simpson, of Wilberforce, the noted tenor, Mr. White, the popular violinist, and Madame Hackley, the sweet and charming singer, who makes her first appearance in this city on the evening of March 22, at the city auditorium, under the auspices of the colored Y. M. C. A. Her coming is looked forward to with pleasure and a large audience will greet and welcome her to the historical city.

Madame Hackley will be supported by the best local talent. All plans have been perfected to make the occasion unique in every particular. One has said "that her grace and modest expression will win you, and her very personality will hold you under its magic spell." We, the music lovers of Chattanooga, only await her coming in order that we might join the list of her admirers. We congratulate the institution that makes her visit possible, and we welcome, thrice welcome her to our town.

NEW ORPHEUM THEATER, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The New Orpheum Theater, 1323-25 South street, is still doing a great business. Stock has been suspended and strictly vaudeville is the new policy. Mr. Geo. E. Bundy, the manager, is certainly using every effort to satisfy the patrons. Headliners this week are Williams and tevens, the best act playing here in two years. Mr. Stevens, as an impersonator, is immense. Next on the bill is Bright and Bright. This is their fourth week and they are still favorites. Chas. Myers and Minnie Boyd, are dancers of merit. Dainty Dolly Spence, juvenile impersonator, and Johnson Bros., comedians, closing with Joe Bright's comedy creation, entitled the "Bug House Dance." The house is undergoing alterations. Mr. Prince and his new partner, Geo. Wilson, were unable to work here, owing to the smallness of the stage. Notable bookings for next week are Sam Lucas, dean of the colored professionals, and Chairs and Jones, comedy duo. Mr. Bundy sends regards to all friends, not forgetting his late partner, Bob Russell.

SEEN AND HEARD WHILE PASSING By S. Tutt Whitney, (Southern Smart Set Company.)

I feel that these few lines of poultry, I mean poetry, somehow I always did git mixed on them two words, I guess it's cause I can't tell jis which I like the best, poultry or poetry. As I were saying, I feel that the poetical effusion which follows, should be preceded by an explanatory edict. Wonder who I heard use them words? No, I'm not a poet, but I like it, poetry I mean, used to recite it when I went to school. Could recite "Curfue shall not ring tonite," backwards, in fact, after I had recited it on about fifty different occasions, I didn't have the nerve to face the school. ometimes I git so full of poetry, usually after dinner, that if I didn't write I'd bust, so I write, it's cheaper than buying soda mints.

I started to send dthis pome, I mean poem, an-an-, oh, what do you call it, when somebody's writ about something they didn't know what they was riting about, an' git ashamed to sign there name after they read it? Oh, yes! anonermous! I started to rite this anonermous, but I didn't feel like I wanted A. Walton Lester, Russells Sylvester, J. R. Jones Julee or some other great writers to git the credit, I believe in givin credit where credit's due. That's why I ask my tailor for it. My tailor says I've had too much—but I'm digressing.

When I first started on the road I used to wonder why everybody in the small towns, who could walk or wasn't locked up cum down to meet the passenger trains. At first I thought it wuz excursions, but after I'd seen the train stop at 'bout a dozen towns an' only one or two people git on an' 'bout half that many git off the train, I give it up.

But since I've been old enuff to think without injuring my health, I know that these folks are character students, unconscious of what they are doing, they gaze at faces in the car windows and just as unconsciously analyze each face. Character reading of the face, when conducted from the station platform to the car window or vicer verser, is an interesting and flattering study. The beginner is just as successful as the older student, for it's "dollars to doughnuts" one never meets the owners of the face personally, so one is always correct in one's analysis, because there is no evidence to the contrary.

Every small town has its conspicuous characters, namely, the "oldest resident," the "silly boy," the "town joke," the "town clown," and the "town wreck." And you learn to know them at a glance from the car window. Of all the characters, the "town wreck" has impressed me most, hence these few lines:

"The Town Wreck."

See that figure, standing there
With blearing eyes and unkempt hair;
Face unclean and brain besotten,
By friends and foes alike forgotten?
  Yet a mother wonderingly,
    Listened as the angels told
  Of the child, that was to be,
    Even as Mary list of old.
Now it staggers 'cross the street
With trembling legs, unsteady feet
Children scurry from its path
People turn to look, and laugh.
  Yet a mother tenderly
    Led those feet, when first they trod
  With tot'ring steps and tremblingly;
    In the pathway to their God.
See! it leans against the wall
With weakened knees, about to fall;
Shoes all rent and clothing torn,
Friendless, hopeless and forlorn.
  Yet a mother anxiously,
    Somewhere's watching for her son,
  Waiting, oh so patiently,
    Trusting God, His will be done.

S. Tutt Whitney.

THE AMERICAN THEATER JACKSON, MISS.

The bill the last half of last week was a big success. The opening act, a musical number entitled "Dollar Bill," featured by Mose Graham as "Dollar Bill" and E. Deb Lewis, our new stage manager, playing the straight lines as "Silver King," When Andy Pellebon appears as "Dollar Bill's wife the house goes into an uproar. The olio was a pleasing one with plenty of new catchy songs and joeks. Miss Bessie Smith, our star, is still sending them away screaming with "Lovey Joe." Kid Ewing, the boy comedian and buck dancer, is over making good. The Pellebons, Andy and Sadie, are holding their own, and are a clever team. Two-story Mose, our comedian, never fails to go out, and brings the house down by storm with witty sayings and songs. Mr. Chas. Anderson, our character man and Henry Lafton, the silver-voiced tenor singer, are delivering the goods to perfection. Our manager, Mr. J. C. Boone, is very much pleased with his stock company and would like to hear from good performers at all times. E. Deb Levi sends regards to Allens' Troubadours, Chintz Moore, Sam Russell and the Benbows. Little Dinky Pellebon, our mascot, is still doing the "eagle rock."

GRAND OPENING OF OCMULGEE PARK, MACON, GA.

Look who's here for the grand opening of Ocmulgee Park. On Easter Sunday, April 16, the Russell, Owens and Brooks Stock Company, of sixteen people, in their latest and greatest success, entitled, "Happy Days in Dixie." This is one of the best companies that have ever visited the Southland. Also the orchestra of six pieces will render a class of music seldom heard outside

CHARLES COLLIER,
Manager Ocmulgee Park & Budweiser Theatre

of the larger cities. There can not be said too much of Mr. Russel and his company as producers, for whatever they do will be well done. In regard to the park, it has been thoroughly overhauled, trees shaped up, and the airdome thoroughly painted and refitted. Also a new line of cars will run to the park every fifteen minutes. For free attractions there will be swings and a first-class merry-go-'round, equipped with one of the best orchestrians in the State of Georgia.

PROF. EPH. WILLIAMS' ORIGINAL SILAS GREEN CO EN ROUTE.

We are just out of Florida. Were in Florida nearly three months of the winter season, which was a grand success in every way. This show takes them by storm, and made a great name. The crowds were tremendous in their applauding nightly. The Big Three pole top generally crowded to the door, and Prof. Williams is very proud of his musicians and performers. Mr. W. Goff Kennedy, the genial stage manager, deserves credit for his efforts to bring this show up to the pitch where it stands today. All the people are in first-class health. Mr. Will H. Baynard has joined us and is general amusement director, and he certainly understands the business, for he is working hard with the people and forcing the people to produce the goods and deliver them. Our brass band has been turned over to R. J. Anderson, and such a great change has been noticed in the last twenty days, since he has taken charge. He is a Texan and a real snappy musician, and handles his band in noble manner, playing some of the very latest selections, and the way he has his band to form their daily parade circle sets the people wild on the street. The program of his daily concert is"Diplomat March," by ousa; "Bits of Remick's Hits, No. 7," "Medley Overture," where a quintet of ladies sing two different choruses with megaphones, then Mr. Goff Kennedy, who has a rich baritone voice, ssings in the same overture, and Mr. George Israel renders "Crystal Beach," a trombone solo, with much credit. Also Maori A. Samon dances, and ends with "Slipping Hank's Rag." The band consists of twelve very well posted musicians. Prof. R. J. Anderson is intending to add six or seven more people to his band in a short time, and intends on making all the show bands look small in a very short time. Now we are in good old South Carolino for some five or six weeks. Prof. Eph. Williams and wife send best wishes to all friends. R. J. Anderson would like to hear from J. H. McCameron, G. B. Brooks, Pearl Moffin, William Phillips and Fred Kewley.

DIXIE PARK, MOBILE, ALA.

Booked up until Feb., 1912, and I guess that's going some. I just closed five weeks at Lagman's Theater, Mobile, to take charge of Dixie Park Theater, Mobile, as stage manager for the summer season, then back to the old reliable the J. D. Joel Southern circuit, opening at Arcade Theater, Atlanta, Ga., with Athens, Macon, Augusta and Beaufort, S. C., to folow, with many thanks to the Theatrical King, who is aprince and a friend to a performer. Nuf ced.

SHOW SHOPS, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Great All-Star Program Scores at the Auditorium.

(By Arthur L. Payne.)

This week's program at the Auditorium, consisting of four first-class acts, was heartily received by overflowing houses at each performance. Not since the management of Mr. J. Gibson has such a strong bill been presented at this popular house.

Henderson and Henderson, singers and dancers, have a side-splitting dialogue, the female in the act singing an Irish ballad, and the applause which greted the finish was enough to convince any one that the sons of Ham as well as the sons of old Erin was well satisfied.

Karle B. Cook, the inimitable comedian, was the big fun entertainer and his talk seemd to catch on right at the beginning. There was not a dull moment in his act, and the audience was kept laughing all the time Karle was on the stage. He also made a big hit in his imitation of Bert Williams singing "Constantly."

(Daisy) Martin and Day (Geo.) as an added attraction stopped the show. These two clever performers joined hands the week previous, and put on an act that is especially deserving of mention. Miss Martin sang her songs in a way that made her a decided favorite with the audience, while the male member put forth much bright wit to Charlieboy comedy. Their original Spanish-Suey dance responded to numerous curtain calls. Something else happened after the ghost walked but I must not tell tales out of school just yet.

The musical verbs was held over from last week. They played some different selections and as usual delivered the goods.

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VICTORIA THEATER.
Duncan & Scott, Managers.

The Duncan Stock Company is in its sixth successful week, changing the show weekly. Miss Muriel Ringgold adds much merriment to the vaudeville portion of the performance and in fact took nearly all of the novelty from the former stars; and even stopped the moving pictures. She is a very good judge of working an audience, knows just when and how long to dance. Miss Ringgold's facial expressions while singing "Way Down in Georgia" would put John Rucker to shame.

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Happy Hour Theater.
Wm. (Kid) Asher, Manager.

Harry Brooks delivered a monologue, concluding with imitations of Harry Waters in his cry-baby act.

Roberson and Marshall, two girls, that's all; one imitating a boy and the other doing iceberg lightning changes. They had their trunk packed full of nerve and brought it all the way from Boston.

Josephine Tobias, the Southern nightingale, was well received, and the singer's beautiful clarity of tone was brought home with added force to the delighted audience. Although she appears a bit nervous and afraid to come down near the fotolights.

Dixon and Hanson closed the bill, singing some of their own compositions. The comedian is really comical, and the lady in the act is equally as clever. Their fast dancing won rounds of applause.

THE DUVAL THEATER ATLANTA, GA.

Open with a farce comedy. Went well. Olio was opened by Barabay St. Tana, featuring "Stop, Stop, Stop," which was a scream. Floyd & Floyd open up with us this week, and were well received. Denslow & Johnson, with a comedy sketch, entitled "The Baby," was a big success. Wiggins & Wiggins, in their comedy act, the "Hobbled Prince," featuring "Lovey Joe," published by Harry Von Tilzer, made a great hit. Fountroy & Fountroy closed the olio with their singing and talking act, faturing "Mind Your Own Business, Tend to Your Own Business, Let Other Folk's Business Alone," which was highly received. Last Monday Jack Wiggins consulted the manager to have a buck dancing contest and he did so, and this manager says this house was never packed on Friday night, but when they pulled off the stunt that night it was over-packed. Seating capacity was over 800. The manager said, oh you Jack (Ginger) Wiggins. Mr. Ed Butler, our pianist and Mr. Julius McGaw, the sensational trap drummer, plays all late popular selections, haking a big hit with one of their late rags.

THE DREAMLAND SAN ANTONIO, TEX.

"We are doing a nice business, showing nightly to standing room only, and the performers show to the public that they are on the job.

Miss B. Wade and Frankie Edward are receiving from three to four encores each night, singing in their double act, "I am Going Home" and "Come Back Again."

Smithy Davis is making a hit singing "Night and Day."

Prof. Bonnie Burgess has everybody wondering over his big act of eating live coals of fire from a furnace.

The show will also be strengthened Tuesday by Mr. Jolly Davis and Miss Lilly Dreeder.

The big chorus by the the entire company is receiving nightly encores.

The big after-piece, by J. Tamer, "A Country Cousin," supported by Bud Helm, and a part of the Dreamland Company, was a great success.

Mr. King, stage manager, met several of the Georgia Minstrels here last Sunday as they were passing through our city. They had several hours' lay-over. The company seems to be having a nice time.

The bunch at the Dreamland is not a set of knockers, but a fine lot of people, who represent the profession in an up-to-date manner. They would like to hear from B. Blackburn and Al. Boyd.

The orchestra furnishes some excellent music: Kline, pianist, Hutt, corneter and Sam McIntosh, trap drummer.

NEW MANAGER FOR THE DUNBAR THEATER, COLUMBUS, O.

I am inclined to take exception to the article which appeared in the Freeman of last week. It is a fact that Mr. LeMaro did not meet with success worthy of comment, for the reason that he was absolutely unknown, and what was far worse, he did not advertise.

I can truthfully state that I do not know of a city in the country, where a good bill will receive the patronage that it will in Columbus; in fact, I have proven it time after time, and to prove that I have the strength of my convictions, I am going to open the Dunbar Theater just as soon as I can get a good company together.

As the people in my city have always given their support to any show or entertainment I put on, I am satisfied I can do well with a small company of good players. I have packed the Dunbar Theater to S. R. O. time and time again, and on return engagements, the same thing over again. I want to say for the benefit of players who have visited my city, that one who brought you to Columbus was unknown. It takes a man who know the people to be successful, not throwing bouquets at myself. I have been in the music business for twenty years in my city, and I am the man who has made life worth living in the way of amusements for my people, and above all, I always gave them good shows and entertainments, and I am able to pay what I agree to. If I am able to get some good people who can change bills weekly, I am sure I can give them three to five weeks' work. Look for my ad. in the Freeman, and don't say that Columbus is a bad show town for it is not. It takes a home man to manage the people in whom they trust.

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ABOARD A. G. ALLEN'S PRIVATE CAR "999."

(P. L. Jenkins writes from Mt. Pleasant, Texas.)

We received our new $5,000 eighty-five foot palace car at Waco, Tex., Feb. 28. By direction of the mangement it has been named "999." It is one of the swellest pieces of rolling stock today traveling on American soil. Truly the management of this company are leaving nothing undone in trying to make this the very best equipped show of its kind now traveling in the vast domain of Uncle Sam....Mr. C. Adam La Rose, female impersonator, is making a hit nightly, featuring "Sweet Italian Love," in dialect and costume....Messrs. Fred Kewley, Robert Miller and Robt. H. Gant recently joined hands in a new musical act. Mr. Kewley posing as the professor, Mr. Gant as a musician looking for work and Mr. Miller doing comedy. Taken all in all, the act is a complete success from beginning to end.... The Watts Bros., Joe and Lew, comedy acrobats, have just received a new tumbling mat....Mr. Wm. World's (Kid) Davis is now singing his latest success entitled, "Them Big Hats and the Hobble Skirts." Music by Ellwood Johnson....Albert (Kid) Smith is singing "The Grizzly Bear," which is a score nightly....Master Clifton Boyd (Kid Wood) and Mr. G. B. Brooks are on the sick list this week....Mr. J. B. Norton, stage manager, is singing "The Barber Shop Chord" with great success....German White is scoring singing "Any Little Girl."

BOWLING GREEN, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. J. W. Hill, presiding elder of the Bowling Green District, called the Quarterly Conference together on Monday evening, February 27. The reports of the last quarter were read and many improvements were noted. The steward was successful in raising the assessment for this quarter, netting a gain of $25 in the pastor's salary. The District Conference will be held in this city about June 15. The pastor and members of Taylor's Chapel A. M. E. Church are making great preparations to entertain the conference when it convenes. Mr. James F. Moxley was elected district steward for the occasion. Bishop C. T. Shaffer, D. D., presiding bishop of the Fourth Episcopal District, has been invited to attend the sessions of the conference....The People's Forum will meet at Tayllor's Chapel A. M. E. Church on Sunday, March 12, at 2:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend....Mr. Brenay Parker, of Detroit, Mich., is visiting his uncle, Mack Parker, of 404 Fourth street, corner of Center street, and other relatives and friends of this city. It has been five years since he has been in his home city.....THE FREEMAN can be had at Mrs. James F. Moxlley's millinery store, 626 Fourth street, on Saturday and Sunday by calling for the same....Leave your news matter and ads. here, which will receive prompt attention.

JAMES F. MOXLEY,
Corresponding Agent.

WEST BADEN (IND.) NOTES.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. J. L. Mason, of the First Baptist Church, of West Baden, Ind., baptized Mrs. Mayme Wing and Mr. John Cook, Sunday, March 5, 1911. The baptizing was largely attended. Among those present were Mrs. Emma Jewell, Eliza Tompkins and Mrs. Alice Ashford, of Louisville, who were visiting Mrs. Wing....Mrs. Edna Cook is visiting her son John, in French Lick....Quite a pleasant surprise was tendered Mrs. Dudley Sebree on the evening of her birthday anniversary. Luncheon was served and Mrs. Sebree was the recipient of many beautiful presents....Miss Lula Burks, who was called to Louisville on account of the illness of her sister, has returned.

PORTSMOUTH, VA., NEWS.

At the old Emmanuel A. M. E. church last Sunday morning Rev. M. E. Davis D. D., pastor, preached a strong and encouraging sermon....At the evening services of Ebenezer Baptist church, Dr. C. C. Somerville preached a special sermon to the business and korking men, from the subject, "Business, Wages, Employment"....Dr. Willis, of the Metropolitan Baptist church, preached a most reviving, practical and soul-stirring sermon last Sunday morning....Rev. J. M. Armstead D. D., pastor of Zion Baptist church, preached one of the most practical sermons from the 2nd Chap. of St. Luke and the 49th verse last Sunday morning....As usual, Communion services were held in our churches last Sunday....The Japanese entertainment and musical at the Metropolitan Baptist church last Monday, March 6, 1911, was quite a success....The Gleaners of Zion Baptist church served a special supper at the residence of Mrs. Sherphed, corner Green and London streets, last Monday evening, March 6, 1911....On Sunday, March 12, 1911, a sacred concert will be given at Zion Baptist church under the auspices of the Woman's League No. 1 of the said church. Mrs. M. Johnson, president, Mrs. L. Watkins, secretary, Rev. J. M. Armstead, D. D., pastor....W. W. Brinkley, is the only agency in Portsmouth, Va., for The Freeman. See him if you would like to have a capy or inquire at 802 South street, 813 County street, 2503 Effingham street.

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In the Field of Sport.

BY HAROLD C. McGATH.

Keep an eye on Kid Stone, welterweight.

The Kansas City Giants and the New Orleans team broke even in the games in the latter city, March 5 and 6.

A coming event in Indianapolis is the marathon conducted by the famed pedestrian, Dan O'Leary. Many prizes of value are offered for the successful candidates.

The Louisville Cubs, of Louisville, Ky., are ready for engagements. James Stringer, manager; Ed. Lancaster, is booking agent, 616 West Walnut street.

The Marianna, Fla., Big Four Stars will meet the Royal New York Giants at Marianna, March 23, the opening of the season. Dick Baker, manager and Wm. Holden, vice-manager.

Kid Stone fought in Crawfordsville, Ind., last week, defeating Pat Larch in the sixth round. The Kid takes on some high-class people in the very near future, including the well-known Jack Dillon.

The Western High School base ball team of Owensboro, Ky., is making out its schedule for the coming season. Some of the best high school teams of the State will be met this season. The games are looked forward to with interest. Lawrence W. Dix, manager, 1026 West Fifth street, Owensboro, Ky.

The Kansas City Giants baseball team is expecting to do great things this season under the management of Jack Johnson. It is expected that the season will be the greatest in the history of the club. Most of the boys of 1909, when the club made fame, will be in the organization of 1911. Booking all first-class clubs.

The base ball team has been organized at Owensboro, Ky. It will play under the management of H. C. Hill, who says: "We expect to play some swift base ball and are ready to receive all comers. We would like to hear from all base ball clubs that we played the seasons of 1909 and 1910, when we visited Utica, Livermore, Calhoun, and Newburgh, Ind."

A rather striking incident is noted in the preliminaries to the marathon in Indianapolis in April. One of the entrants is Charles Causton, Jr., son of a man who had formerly raced with Dan O'Leary, fight promoter. The young man is being trained by Henry Schmehl of Chicago. Mr. Schmehl is also preparing to enter a walking contest in Europe. He will be groomed by Dan O'Leary.

The following is noted of Hon. W. H. Lewis:

Ambitious to become a lawyer, "Bill" Lewis, now one of the bright stars of the foot ball world, went to Harvard, took up his study of law and immediately won a place on the team. He rapidly developed into "the best center Harvard had ever had," being named for the All-American team more than once. During the famous game against the University of Pennsylvania, owing to the illness of Harvard's elected team leader, he was the mighty captain of his team.

On leaving college he immediately took up the practice of law and was employed as a foot ball coach by the Cambridge institution. He shortly afterward married Miss Bessie Baker, of Cambridge, and to them five children have been born. He has a beautiful home in the residential section of the old college town, and is generally looked upon as the leader of his race in New England.

ENTHUSIASM WAXING WARM.

Colored Fans are Doing Much Guessing as to the Relative Strength of the New Indians.

As the balmy days of spring spread their soothing influence over the local colored base ball fans much discussion of the relative strength of the New Indians is going the rounds of the barber shops, club houses and hotels. There is no city in the American Association circuit that has a clientelle of colored patrons more staunch and loyal to their home squad than is represented in Indianapolis. This loyalty is due, in a large measure, to the fairness of the management in the treatment of its colored supporters. Mr. Watkins is noted for his impartia lity in dealing with his patronage. To this fact is attributed the large colored attendance at the games out at Washington Park. Any fine day one can see some of the best dressed and best behaved men and women of the race in the grand stands, including school teachers and our business and professional men.

We are in high hopes that "Jeemes" Burke will hand us a winner this season. All Indianapolis is expecting it and are most anxiously awaiting the issue. Among the material at hand are numbered some very promising youngsters upon the development of which, of course, depends the whole situation. However, Burke is a fighter of known calibre and will doubtless get all out of his men that there is in them. But few positions are reliably filled at this time and it is going to be a fight among the men themselves for the places which will be apportioned according to the merit shown. It is reasonably assured that "Danuwell" Howley will do the principal backstopping for the aggregation and Freeman, the new first baseman secured from Toledo, will guard the initial sack. Otto Williams will doubtless cavort around second, as it is hardly probable that he will be supplanted by any of the material at hand. The genial Dutchman is a favorite with the colored fans and it is believed that he has another good season's work in him.

Now that the men are in active training, the readers will be kept in touch with the doings both at Mount Jackson and Washington Park. The Freeman heartily endorses the plan of the management in training here at home this season. The former disastrous trips abroad are regarded by the majority of colored fans as "jonahs" resulting in no "bacon" for the home bunch. We hope by this new arrangement to see the team more often in action against the big leaguers during the preliminary season. These games are always largely attended as the fans are anxious to get a line on the new players, besides this too, they furnish an opportunity to see several teams of the majors in active warfare. The present booking shows that we are to have as guests during the preliminary period, the champion Athletics, the "Tigers," the Cubs, the Cincinnati's and several others.

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SPORTING NOTES.

The "Pekin Tigers," Cleveland's greatest colored base ball team, has completed its organization of ball tossers, and there is some great talent in its line up. The team is capable of holding its own in first-class company. The team was quietly organized, and will surprise the fans of Cleveland this season. "Watch the Tigers," Morgan says, "Cleveland will forge to the front in colored base ball." Watch him. He says very little, but is working all the time. The manager has booked some of the leading teams for the club this season, and with Peter Brooks, B. H. Tibbs and Little Lee John at the helm, I think Cleveland will be in line. The officers are: President, Peter Brooks, secretary, Little Lee John; treasurer, B. H. Tibbs; manager, J. C. Morgan. The office of the Pekin Tigers is at the Pekin Club, 224 Scovill avenue, Cleveland, O.

THE INDIANAPOLIS MARATHON.

Above 276 Willing to Walk and Run—Only Forty to be Chosen.

Dan O'Leary, the famous pedestrian, who will conduct the marathon in Indianapolis in April, is already deluged with applications for entree. Above 276 persons have signified their willingness to take part in the contest. However, only a small part of these will be considered owing to the size of the auditorium.

Tomlinson hall is commodious and convenient, but nothing like large enough to entertain the many would-be participants. Mr. O'Leary meant, in the outset, to hold the entrants down to twenty, but owing to the great enthusiasm he has concluded to make it forty.

Some of the best walkers and runners of the country will be seen in the contest and perhaps a few from abroad.

Miss Jennie Shoto, a St. Louis society woman, recently offered to donate a trophy for a five-mile woman's race, and O'Leary states that the race will be for Indianapolis women only. He will give in addition to the cup a watch and a pair of bracelets. With these inducements it is expected that a number of women will take part.

WEST BADEN SPRUDELS.

Expect to Retain Championship of Indiana.

The West Baden Sprudels, the fastest colored ball team of Indiana and Kentucky, expect to retain their honors this season. Owner Rogers has engaged a few new men. C. I. Taylor, captain of 1910, will be seen with a Sprudel uniform and as usual, with his funny tricks and professional slides at second. It was thought by many at the Springs that Taylor would go with some Eastern team, but Owner Rogers says that he cannot do without him. He is a good man and will prove it to the Sprudel followers before the season is ended. Houston, Clark, Moore, Bingham, Brown, Jerone, Dismukes, all showed well in their colors last season. and in connection with Shaw, Miller, Lyons, Blackwell, Coachman, Whaley, Prim, Sibley and a few others, who will be tried out by Captain Taylor, will place the Sprudels champion ball team of the East and West. There will be many changes in the Sprudel park this season. The rear fence will be put back thirty feet, also the diamond will be raised eleven inches. The park is the prettiest in the West and very much different from all other ball parks, the fans having an opportunity to see the games from an elevated bicycle track, fifteen feet high. All players will report March 15. The St. Louis Giants, the Leland Giants, Cuban Stars and Louisville Cubs will play at the Springs during April.

ST. LOUIS GIANTS DEFEAT MONTGOMERY STARS AT MONTGOMERY, ALA.

Hustling Chas. A. Mills, manager of the St. Louis Giants, and his husky band of Trojans arrived in Montgomery, Ala., unday, morning, March 5, 1911, to begin their spring training. After a few hours rest, and as evening was fast putting in its appearance, the St. Louis Giants thought it their duty to spend a few hours at some religious service.

Monday, March 5, was the day we all looked forward to for that was the first day for those noble athletes to handle a ball. Manager Mills was very much pleased with the showing of the boys the first day; now and then a dull thud could be heard and looking off at a distance could be seen a white pill floating high and far in the azure sky.

After two hours training, Captain Wallace and his husky squad returned to the Wilson House for a few hours' rest.

Through the kindness of Messrs. Joe Stevens, Tom Overton, Tim Moore, the St. Louis Giants were the guests at the Queen Theatre Monday evening, March 6.

Before one of the most distinguished body of colored citizens of Montgomery, the St. Louis Giants defeated the crack Montgomery Stars.

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Montgomery	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	5
St. Louis Giants	2	0	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	7	7	1

SEASON OPENED.

New Orleans and Kansas City Royal Giants on the Gridiron—A Gala Day—Speech Making—Two Games—Honors Even—New Orleans, La.

New Orleans and Kansas City Royal Giants opened the season March 5 before a very large crowd. Hon Geo. W. Glades was orator of the day. The weather was ideal. Robinson pitched for the New Orleans tea mand seemed to have perfect control. The Southern boys seemed to have the boys from the "show me" State's goat. They knocked Rube Washington out of the box in the second inning. The feature of the game was the hitting of Otto Bolden. Out of five times up he got four hits. The New Orleans boys show a great deal of class in their playing, making three lightning doubles. It look as though the Royal Giants were going to be shut out. They failed to score until the eighth inning. They made another score in the ninth by Stennan hitting a homer over right field fence. Everybody should have their eye on Bartholomew, the youngest short stop in the business, do not let your head swell, "Bosky." On Monday the Kansas City Giants got together and believe me, they played some ball. Score Sunday:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Kansas City	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
New Orleans	2	2	0	0	3	0	0	0	0

Score Monday:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Kansas City	0	2	0	2	1	1	0	5	0
New Orleans	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	2	0

Notes of the Game.

Maybe that wasn't a swell crowd.

The fair sex were out in taxicabs and autos.

Frank Palambo was all smiles in the stand. Some one pinned a red rose on him.

Who said Butch can't hit?

Sis was in mid-season form.

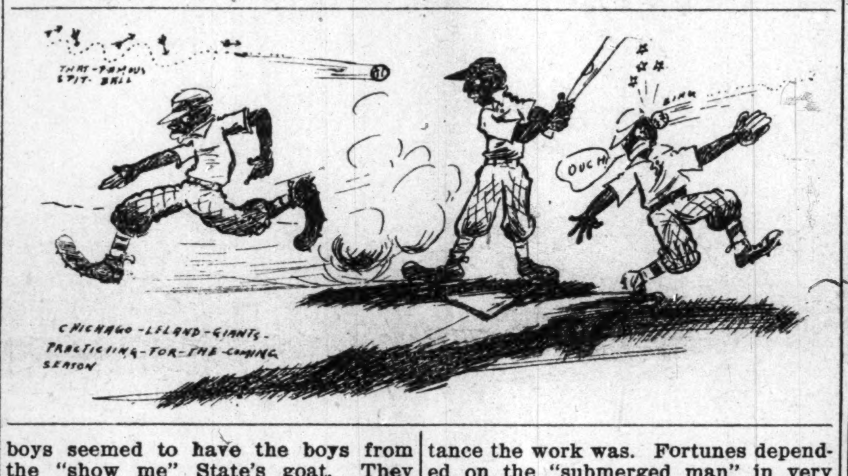
What do you think, Manager Walker and Scotty opened the season with home runs.

St. Louis Giants next Sunday, "nuf sed."

Otto Bolden carried off the batting honors.

Butch got three two-baggers off Rube Washington.

Maybe Rube can't pitch ten strikeouts.



CHICAGO-LELAND-GIANTS-PRACTICING-FOR-THE-COMING SEASON

THE FIGHT PICTURES IN INDIANAPOLIS.

The Johnson-Jeffries fight pictures are on in full blast in Indianapolis. A decision of the court made the promoters safe, consequently the reels started going the 6th of March and have been going ever since.

While it appears that the pictures are cleaning up some money, yet time has robbed them of much of their value. Had they been shown immediately subsequent to the big fight they would have been worth very much more than they are at this time. $250,000 is a tremendous sum for a chance, and yet the chance was not so risky in face of the splendid opportunity for making it back and several small-sized fortunes to boot. What happened all know. It has taken time to change sentiment. With this change came also a change in the valuation of the pictures. As it is the bonanza prospects have gone, and it takes downright work to get the gold from the ore.

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To one interested in moving throngs, great crowds, whether quiet or moving, the panorama presented by the Johnson-Jeffries fight pictures will not be forgotten. Everything is shown but the noise, and the views are regarded a distinct triumph to the art of picture taking. One seeing Reno, vivid, animated as it was on the first days of July, 1910, we will imagine, will not care to see it in these lean days. The quiet of the after days must appear as mockery to those when the happy tens of thousands seeming as on pleasure bent lent metropolitan aspect to the erstwhile sleepy burg. The good natured denizens from the four quarters of the world struggled in friendly rivalry in the streets. No moment was free of the hurly burly of commotion. Voices rent the air, jocund and mirthful, full of faith in the result of tomorrow. Everybody was optimistic, the god of success was written everywhere —no one can lose. Johnson men were sanguine, Jeffries men were sanguine —all are winners today. There was a sound of revelry by night. Fair women and brave men, and so forth as somebody said long since. And there were women, twenty-eight hundred of them that bared their beauty to the broiling 110-in-the-shade, and no shade, while they looked on the toils of the battle gods.

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Especially bedecked cars coming from New York, Chicago and other points are striking features of the exhibit. These pour their streams of humanity into the already surging mass —adding to the gaiety of the nations. They are met with cheers by pugilistic partisan enthusiasts who are now making the welkins ring with the names of their favorites. All is so realistic that should the bell cord pull and the bell ring no one would be startled, but count it but a further delusion due to the moving picture art—so rapt is the attention.

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Now the great arena, reminding one of a Grecian stadium, heaves in sight, rearing up indeed like Solomon's temple without sound of hammer. But peradventure hammers were plentiful enough at the real thing. Eight days only since the Governor of California's order to vacate the soil was heeded. The question is, what will Tex Rickard and the rest of them do? Can they make it? The contractor was called on. He must be ready in eight days at Reno, Nev. Judging by appearance, more than a hundred carpenters were put on the job. They worked in "relays"—night shifts, and in various ways, to make good in the allotted time. All of this is extremely interesting to the spectators to the pictures, that know of what tremendous importance the work was. Fortunes depended on the "submerged man" in very truth—the carpenter held the key. It was plain; it was axiomatic. One notes those great skeleton frames stretching in every direction, reminding one of the "Building of the Ship"—making ready for the baptismal day. It was builded straight, O, worthy master, but good and round. The thousands or millions of feet were told by the man in front, but it doesn't matter. The human mind couldn't take it in anyhow. The sight told; it was awe inspiring; it was majestic in proportions, beautiful in magnitude—gigantic—titanic.

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Cheer up, the worst is yet to come. On the memorable morning, the 4th of July, 1910, the sky gods seem to have gotten together in a conspiracy to make it hot. It was hot the night before. Men didn't need to go to bed. Who could go to bed? Who could sleep, amid the excitement? 'Tis the morning of the 4th—the crowds—the crowds—great Zeus, the crowds! Every nook and cranny seem to empty forth its denizens. To the ampitheater is the trend—the fight is scheduled for about 3:30, as we think it. But they were on the road to "Monterey"—the arena at 7:30, just as soon as a meager breakfast was eaten, or perhaps before eating.

The pictures show the vast jams about the entrance up until the hour of the fight—gesticulating, screening faces with hats, handkerchiefs, fans, while old Sol was relentless. Then follows a glimpse of the inside where a whole city sat at once, as cities had done in the days of elder Greece and Rome when marathon or other contest of athletic prowess was the consuming theme. Upwards of 19,000 people gathered about the entablature, that smallish square in the center where they gazed and in their imagination saw their money come and go. So distinct were these faces that they were recognizable as if they were in life, and near—the artist's triumph. Like as the ocean in a choppy sea the billows surge, restless and animated, with suggestions of fitful effort to fight off the sun at 110, and no shade. Palm leaf fans sold at $1.00 and were bought up in a hurry. Hats and handkerchiefs were in requisition at all times. But the event of the world is about to be pulled off, and the sun even at its worst, is but a secondary consideration. So, shine out, fair sun, and let us see ourselves as we pass.

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The hour is at hand-attention "intense." We will be pardoned for not remembering the gentleman's name that does all the preliminaries by way of introduction. But he does it to a queen's taste. One imagines him saying "Ladies and gentlemen, I take great pleasure," and the rest of it. One by one, celebrated fight promoters and fighters are called to the stand and made known to the thousands. Among them were John L. Sullivan, Sam Langford, Choyinski, Tex Rickard, Sharkey, Corbett, Fitzsimmons and others. Fitzsimmons is referred to as popular. He seemed to enjoy his popularity immensely. He reminded one of Mayor Shank of Indianapolis—he was a jolly good fellow throughout.

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The fight is on—Johnson is introduced, now Jeffries, who plants his feet astride as if on the rock of ages. The story of the rounds is known. The slugging and slashing was plain to see. Both Jeffries and Johnson put up a stiff fight, equally as good, until after the sixth round. However difference will not be noted by those not very well acquainted with the game until about the tenth round. It is especially noted in the sluggish movement of Jeffries at the call of time. Johnson fairly tripped to his corner—with elastic tread. After this it was plain to all that Jeffries was losing strength and courage. The end is known. The curtain falls for the second time, reminding one of the real Reno when the mighty Jeffries curled up at the fleet of Jack Johnson.

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The pictures also show fairly every important move in the Jeffries training quarters, where considerable society was manifest. It is said that between five hundred and six hundred ladies visited his quarters every day. The training quarters of Johnson are not shown. The invincible black is not seen until his dark spot shows forth in the ring. Jeffries is at all times featured, and perhaps in the interest of the pictures' commercialism.

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WEST BADEN SPRUDELS—C. I. Taylor, manager, West Baden, Ind.

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CITY AND SOCIETY.

Read The Freeman.

Mr. Don Wells continues ill.

John Buckner has left the city.

Miss Emma L. Jones is quite sick.

Mrs. Richard Cash is seriously ill.

Mrs. Eliza Boles continues to improve.

Miss Quita Duff has left the city for her health.

Miss Elsie Daniels, of Chicago, has returned home.

Mrs. B. J. Prince is ill at her home, 819 California street.

Rev. Robert Harper, of Dayton, O., is in the city again.

Mr. Charlie Lewis sustained a sprained ankle last Saturday.

Mrs. Bessie King spent Sunday and Monday in Evansville.

Mr. Clarence Baxter visited friends in Grenefield last Sunday.

Mrs. Florence Lewis, of Muncie, visited in the city last week.

Misses Nora Richey and Clarissa Green are visiting in Marion, Ind.

The revival services at Union Tabernacle are being largely attended.

The Smart Set closed a very successful week at the Park theater tonight.

Mr. Wesley Lee, of Louisville, Ky., spent a few days here this week.

Miss Louise Nash, of Frankfort, Ind., will visit friends here next week.

Miss Marion Lacey, of Noblesville, is visiting among friends this week.

Mrs. Eleanor Sharpe is spending a few weeks in several points in Indiana.

Mr. George Floyd left Tuesday for Logansport, Ind., for permanent residence.

Rev. G. W. Ward, the pastor of Mt. Zion Baptist church, is on the sick list.

Mr. F. D. B. Tucker has returned to his home after a few weeks in this city.

Miss Nellie Cox is seriously ill at the home of her sister in North West street.

Mrs. Carrie Beal, of Springfield, O., is the guest of relatives and friends this week.

Mr. James Sublett was buried from his residence in Hadley street Monday afternoon.

The Ladies' Alliance of Bethel church met with Mrs. Retta Moss Thursday afternoon.

The new Pythian Hall will be open all day Sunday and visitors will be gladly received.

Mr. Henry Cooke has returned from an extended trip through the West and Southwest.

Mr. John Montgomery, of Franklin, was the guest of W. H. Fielding Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Maude Booth is improving after several week's illness at her home, 519 W. Tenth street.

Mr. Charles Banks, well known in Chicago circles, is the guest of Mr. George Hines for a week.

Gold Star Club will meet next Thursday evening with Mrs. Elizabeth Davis in Puryear street.

Mrs. Bertha Mack, of Greencastle, is in the city at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Callie Young.

Mrs. Mary Gatewood and Mrs. Alice Littoon have left the city for residence in Los Angeles, Cal.

Mr. James Reed, the popular chauffeur, left Thursday for an extended western trip with the Anderheide family. About six months' time will be spent in Southern California and New Mexico. Mr. Reed will drive a Packard Phaeton No. 30 car during their stay, which was built especially for this trip.

Mrs. Susie Williams, president of Alpha Home, is suffering with muscular rheumatism at her home.

The prize whist given at the Dumas Club Wednesday evening was socially and financially a success.

The Volunteers of Jones Tabernacle met with Mrs. Clara Wallace, 721 Indiana avenue, Tuesday evening.

The Blue Grass Pleasure Club will give their opening entertainment at the Wilkerson Hotel Tuesday, March 28.

Mrs. Cora B. Jackson, 425 West Vermont, is able to be out after being confined to her home several weeks.

Mr. John Lewis, of Jacksonville, Fla., spent Sunday with relatives enroute to Chicago for a business speculation.

Mrs. Frank Rice returned to her home in Marion, Ind., Tuesday, after a pleasant visit with relatives and friends.

Rev. Mohammed, a minister and missionary of Africa, was in the city last week, and left Monday for Chicago.

The Blue Grass Pleasure Club held a business meeting Tuesday evening with Mrs. Dink Hubble, 930 Camp street.

The Mount Bethel Lodge No. 4 American Doves of Protection will give a musicale at the Dumas Club, March 29th.

Little Miss Ethel Haddex, 518 West Tenth street, was painfully burned Monday evening and is confined to her home.

There will be no meeting of the Woman's Club Monday afternoon on account of the Colonial Ball given in the evening.

The dance given at the Pythian Hall by the Topaz Cluster last Friday evening was a grand success, and was largely attended.

Arrangements are baing made for a Charity Ball for the benefit of Lincoln Hospital, May 1st at the New Pythian Hall.

The Frau Frau Club held a business meeting Thursday afternoon and made arrangements for a dance at an early date.

Quite a number of the members of the Smart Set Company are stopping at the residence of Mrs. Black in West Michigan street.

Messrs. Elmer Cheeks, Sterling McWain and Cecil Powell, of Lafayette, Ind., attended the Topaz Cluster dance last Friday evening.

Mr. Richard Myers, a tenor singer, of Detroit, Mich., passed through the city Monday enroute to Danville, Ky., to fill an engagement.

The funeral services of Mrs. Lizzie Demarr were held at the residence Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. W. R. Payne officiated.

Mr. and Mrs. William Rankins, of Glencoe, Ill., spent a few days in the city last week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Eward Bottoms.

Miss Geraldine Gribbin, of Franklin, Ind., was the day guest of Mrs. J. H. Tucker Thursday and attended the Smart Set in the afternoon.

The Ladies Board of Managers and St. Theresa Temple No. 24 will give a joint entertainment at Flanner Guild, Thursday evening, March 30th.

Mrs. Gertrude Guthrie was suddenly called to Crawfordsville, Ind., on account of the serious illness of her mother, Rev. Mrs. Cassie Jackson.

Mrs. George Lancey, of Covington, Ky., was the guest of honor at an after-theater party given by Mr. and Mrs. Henry Logan, Monday evening.

A very successful and interesting revival is being conducted by the Rev. Stafford Campbell, of Lexington, Ky., at the Second Christian church.

Mrs. Harriet Craig, of Fort Benjamin Harrison, spent Sunday in the city and was the guest at supper of Mrs. S. S. Haddex, 518 W. Tenth street.

A few friends spent the Thursday evening of last week with Mr. and Mrs. James Reed, in Cornell avenue. The occasion was Mr. Reed's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wells have gone to Cincinnati, O., for permanent residence. Mr. Wells has accepted a position with the Pullman company.

Mrs. Georgia Higlon, of Terre Haute, Ind., returned to her home Thursday, after a pleasant visit with Mr. and Mrs. John Cowherd, 743 Center street.

Misses Irene Merida and Cora Archer, of Greenfield, Ind., were in the city to attend the Thursday evening's performance of "His Honor, the Barber."

Miss Ruth Willis entertained the Young Ladies' Club Thursday evening with an elaborate four-course dinner. The pastime was spent in music and dancing.

Mr. Geo. L. Knox addressed the Ladies' Aid Society Wednesday evening at the parsonage of Rev. H. W. Tate. Subject: "The Value of Women to the Church."

Mrs. Cora Hutchison was hostess to a pretty pink tea party Sunday afternoon in honor of Mrs. Lena Black, of Pine Bluff, Ark., who has been visiting her for two weeks.

Phillip E. Green, former messenger to Senator Hemenway, was in the city Wednesday. He is still serving Mr. Hemenway's committee, the senator's term having expired.

The Rosebud Needle Club under the auspices of the Deaconess Board of Jones Tabernacle, met with Mr. Rowan, 926 Camp street, Friday afternoon. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Florence Foster, an old and highly respected citizen of this city, died at her residence, 618 Bright, Saturday afternoon. The funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. Mattie Wright entertained at whist Friday afternoon. The colors carried out were red and green. A luncheon daintily served in six courses, was enjoyed after the game, by sixteen ladies.

Miss Mayme Davis was hostess for the B. T. H. S. Club Thursday afternoon of last week. The table decorations were sweet peas and ferns. The table cover was of ferns, on which an elegant three-course dinner was served to twelve guests. The favors were bouquets of sweet peas tied with ribbons of club colors. Mrs. Edward Bottoms won first prize, Mrs. Ada Lloyd second and Mrs. Edward Lindsay, booby.

The members of the Lincoln Hospital Association wish to announce through the columns of The Freeman, the receipt of $9.50, three dozen towels, given by the Woman's Club of Connersville, Ind. The committee was composed of Mesdames Harriet Perry, Malissa Mason, Eliza Arnold, Minnie Price, Seela Vest and Oah Winfrey. Mrs. Beulah Winfrey president, Mrs. Frances Brown secretary. The following patien tsof Lincoln Hospital are numbered on the improving list: Mesdames Hattie Boyd and baby, Magnolia White, Carrie Boyer, Edna Cash, Rebecca Graham, Martha Highland, Josie Douglas and Messrs. William Loving and John W. Woods.

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The church and congregation were greatly delighted over effects of last Sunday's services. In the morning Rev. Chas. Poole, Olivet's young promising minister of power, delivered a beautiful sermon. Our beloved pastor occupied the pulpit at night; his discourse was extremely helpful and much appreciated. The attendance at both services was very good. On addition added to the flock last Sunday made the entire church rejoice. The Sunday school still growing, still pleading for more pupils. Parents take advantage. Answer the call. The pastor's Bible class was winner of the banner. "Were they proud?" Ask the pastor. The B. Y. P. U. was largely attended on last Sunday evening and an excellent Bible study was enjoyed, from the second book of Genesis. Rev. Chas. W. Lewis was at his best and the study proved very enthusiastic. Come out next Sunday to a good sacred program and help increase our attendance. The choir has well under way the Easter music and will furnish a choice program on Easter Sunday morning. For Sunday: Communion service in the afternoon. All sister churches are most cordially invited. Public welcome.

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BETHEL CHURCH NOTES.

Mr. Smythe will preache tomorrow morning, subject: What we owe to the bystander. At 3:00 o'clock Rev. G. W. Ward of Mount Zion Baptist church will preach and his choir will sing. In the evening there will be a musical program. The choir will endeavor to raise $300.00 to liquidate the balance due on the pipe organ. All friends are invited to help them. The Christian Endeavor prayer meeting will be held by Mr. George Stiltz, president of the local union.

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Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.. Topic for Sunday, "Rahab's Faith." Epworth League, 6:45 p. m. Dishrag exhibition Monday night. Sunday, March 26, will be rally day. The men are against the women. A union meeting will be held at 3:30 p. m. We hope all of our friends will come out and help us at this time.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Sunday, March 19th, marks the close of the Monster Meetings of the Colored Y. M. C. A. for this season. It is the aim of the management to make this meeting the biggest and best ever.

Hon. W. L. Taylor, ex-Attorney General of Indiana, will be the speaker of the day, taking as his subject, "Learning to Live as Well as to Die." A treat is in store for all men who hear this lecture for Mr. Taylor is a thinker and speaker of no mean ability. A special musical program has been provided for. Vocal solos will be rendered by Mrs. J. L. Thompson, Mrs. J. Elnora Wilson and Robt. Kirk. The Y. M. C. A. Orchestra and Glee Club in musical numbers. We desire a packed house at the Witherspoon church on North West street. Program begins promptly at 3:30 p. m. Men only.

The Basket Ball Tournament for the championship of the association will start Monday, March 20th. The general public is invited. Ladies as well as men will be admitted. A small admission fee will be charged at the door.

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The evolution of "The Newlyweds and Their Baby," a musical comedy which comes to the Park Theater, Indianapolis, the entire week of March 20, with daily matinees, was from a pen and ink sketch of George McManus into a gale of laughter. Although the only word in the vocabulary of Snookums is "Dada," a laughable, chuckling, rollicking comedy has been evolved. Little Mr. Rosen plays the part of the baby, Napoleon, then Major Knott Much, an abbreviation, is substituted for Napoleon when the latter is stolen.

Surrounding these two is a large company of clever artists and pretty, lively singing and dancing girls. The company is composed of sixty and one-half people, seventy-five per cent girls. Among those who help along with the funmaking are Leo Hayes, as Mr. Newlywed, and Countess Olga Von Hatzfeldt as Napoleon's mamma. The Countess does her hair after the fashion of the coiffure of Mrs. Newlywed in the cartoon.

It is a study in the character feminine to see how the first appearance of the baby affects the women in the audience. Little Napoleon backs onto the stage under a curtain, and turning toward the audience sits up, looks around, blinks his eyes and then says "Da-Da" and grins with that single tooth. Instantly there is a shout of laughter from the women, through tears that run down their cheecks in streams. Which is it, merriment or motherliness?

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Monday night with a very interesting bill, three good clean numbers were selected by the management, which gave him the assurance that the patrons were fully satisfied by the many highly appreciative comments that could be heard after each performance. Miss Lucy Shepherd opened the bill as usual with several new songs that were good. The next number was Stewart and Stithe, in a neat singing and character changing act, featuring beautiful Indian song with costumes and scenic effects especially arranged for the occasion. These two young ladies have been here a number of times and have made many friends, who have been in constant attendance all week enjoying the nice clean act this team have the reputation of producing. Bailey and Bailey followed Stewart and Stithe on the bill as a closer. This team has only appeared on Fifth street once before and are not so well known here, but they were only on the boards about two minutes when everybody yelled "peaches," and they were a scream from that time on. The team is using a lot of songs that have been heard here before, but they get a little more out of them than any one else who has used them. The Baileys are hard workers and deserve all the high comments that have been given them in other cities.

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The Gaither Theater.

We are having another shy at the Goodloe Southern Belle Stock Co. In the opening several specialties are introduced that are good, especially Miss Sarah Martin, who shows evidence of becoming a great coon shouter. The sketch closes with a little drama entitled "The Girl from the Golden West," where some nice lines are used by Miss Ella Good and Miss Saraha Martin. The Misses Nettie Clymer, Motley and Hopkins appear as beautiful western girls, while Mr. John Goodloe furnishes the comedy, assisted by Mr. Taylor and Green. The effects of the company are highly appreciated by the patrons of the little Fifth street house.

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LIMA, OHIO.

Mr. Thomas Reed, of Anna, and Mr. Finley Carr, of Van Wert, were among the Sunday visitors....Wednesday evening, March 8, occurred the wedding of Rev. G. T. Hicks and Miss Viola Young. The bride and groom spent a few days in Lima on their honeymoon. Rev. Hicks is stationed at Van Wert, O. Their many friends wish them a long and prosperous life....On last Monday evening, at a 4 o'clock dinner, Mrs. L. J. Young entertained in honor of the seventieth birthday anniversary of her mother, Mrs. Mary Lyles, of Sabina. Covers were laid for twelve. The unique part of the occasion was the range of ages of the guests—from 56 to 105 years....Mr. Louis Nelson remains very ill. On last Thursday evening the choir of St. Paul A. M. E. Church met at his bedside and sang a few sacred anthems. Mr. Nelson, when in good health, was a member of the choir....Miss Irene Galloway is quite ill. ....On last Monday evening Mrs. Stella Mines entertained at her home in honor of her brother, Mr. Oscar Buck. The party was in the form of a surprise.... Next Sunday is quarterly meeting Sunday at St. Paul's A. M. E. Church. Love feast Friday evening, March 27. Quarterly conference Tuesday evening, March 21.... On next Monday, March 20, the "captain's social" will be held at St. Paul A. M. E. Church. A short program will be rendered. Silver offering is expected at door. The Allen Busy Brotherhood was entertained at the home of C. L. Young. A very nice paper was read by Mrs. Ed Curtiss....On last Friday morning occurred the funeral of Mr. Clifford Schaffer, at St. Rose Catholic Church....On last Sunday evening the Ladies' Aid Society rendered a very nice program at the Second Baptist Church....The Freeman will be found on sale at Charles Stewart's barber shop, corner of Spring and Main....Mr. Thomas Page, the musical composer, is employed at the Defrab Restaurant.... Mrs. Mary Lyles is suffering from a sore eye.

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